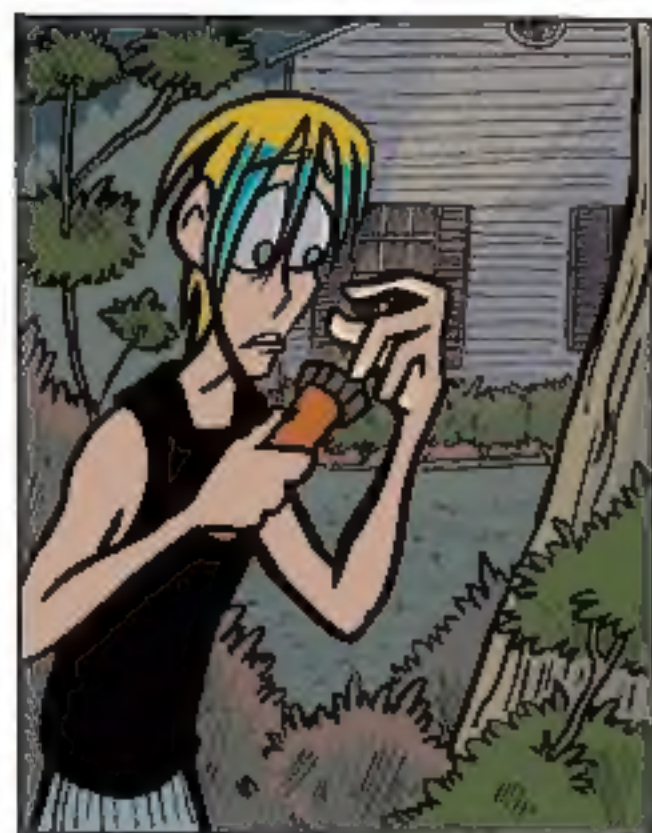
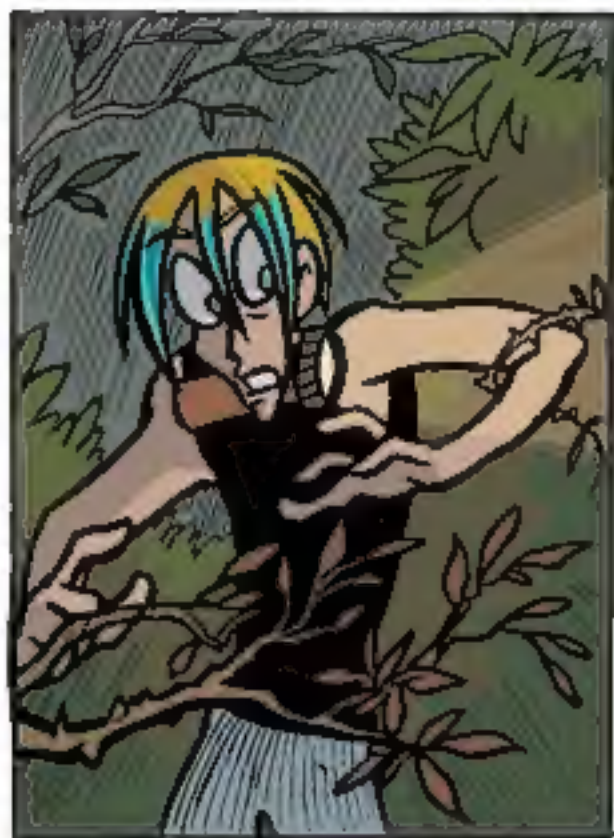
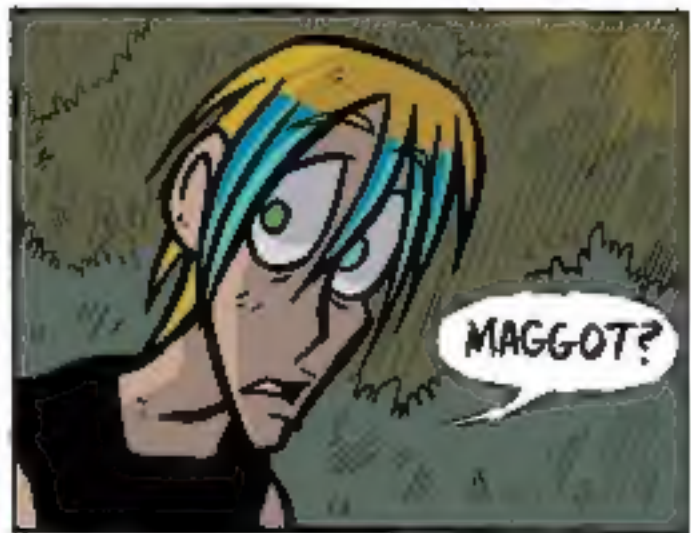










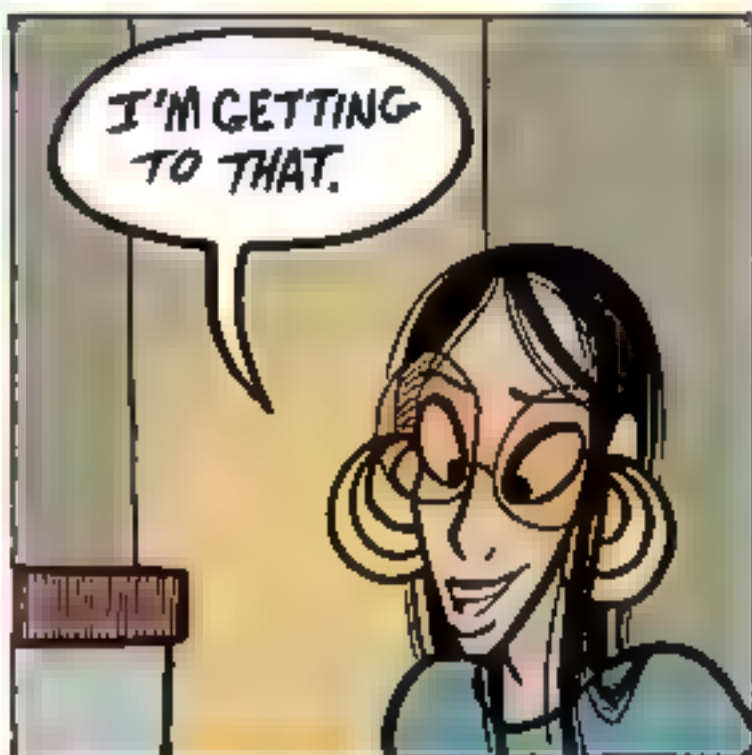
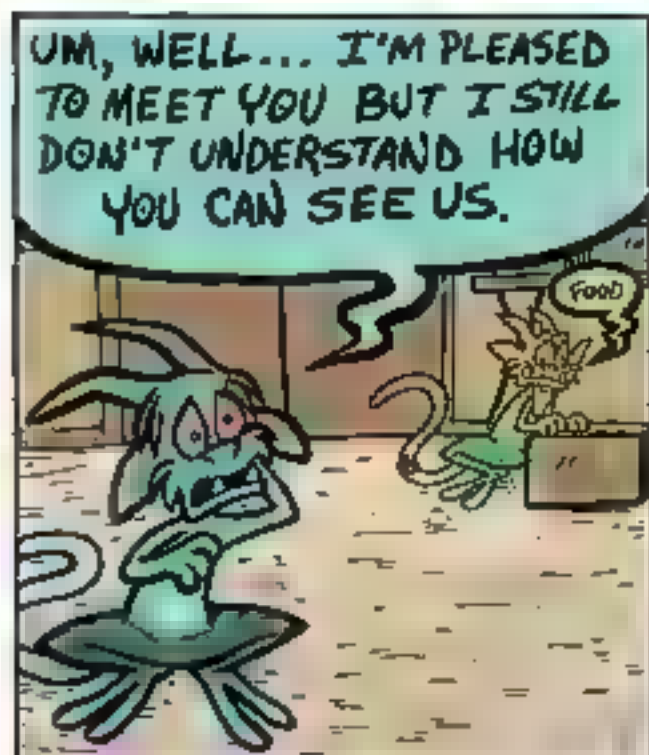
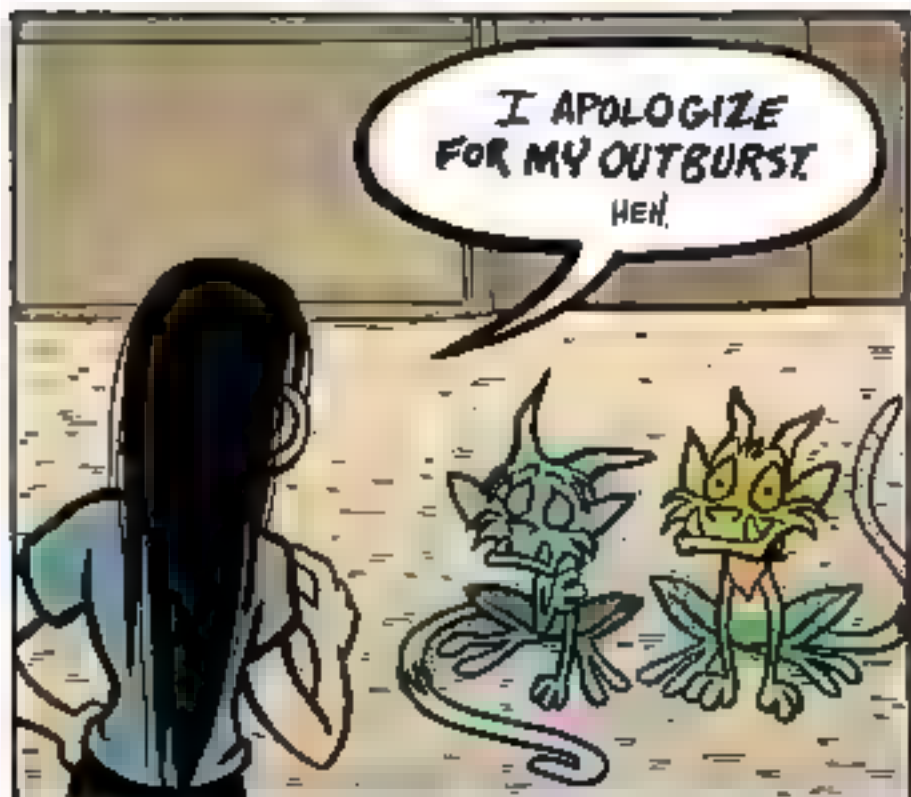




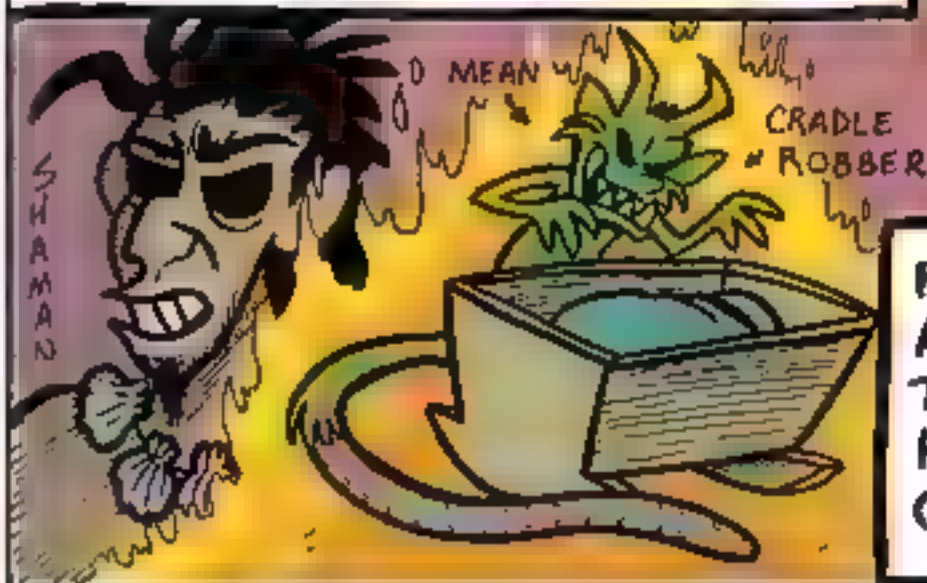






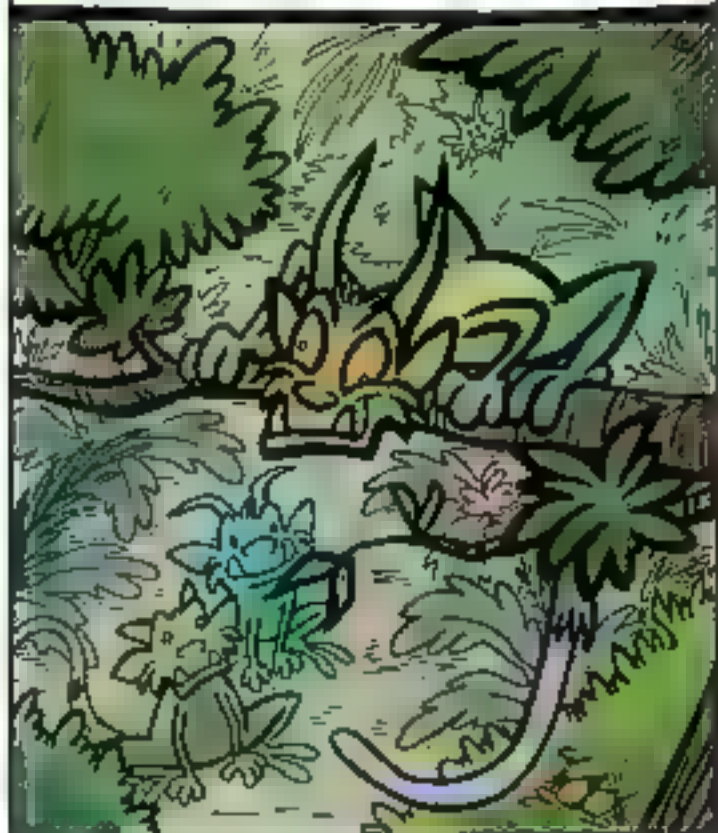


MY FATHER DISCOVERED THAT LONG AGO,
THE SHAMANS OF KAMPING ISLAND USED
TO SQUEEZE THE JUICE OF THE
KAMPING IN THEIR EYES TO SEE VISIONS
OF CREATURES CALLED FROGOBLIMS.



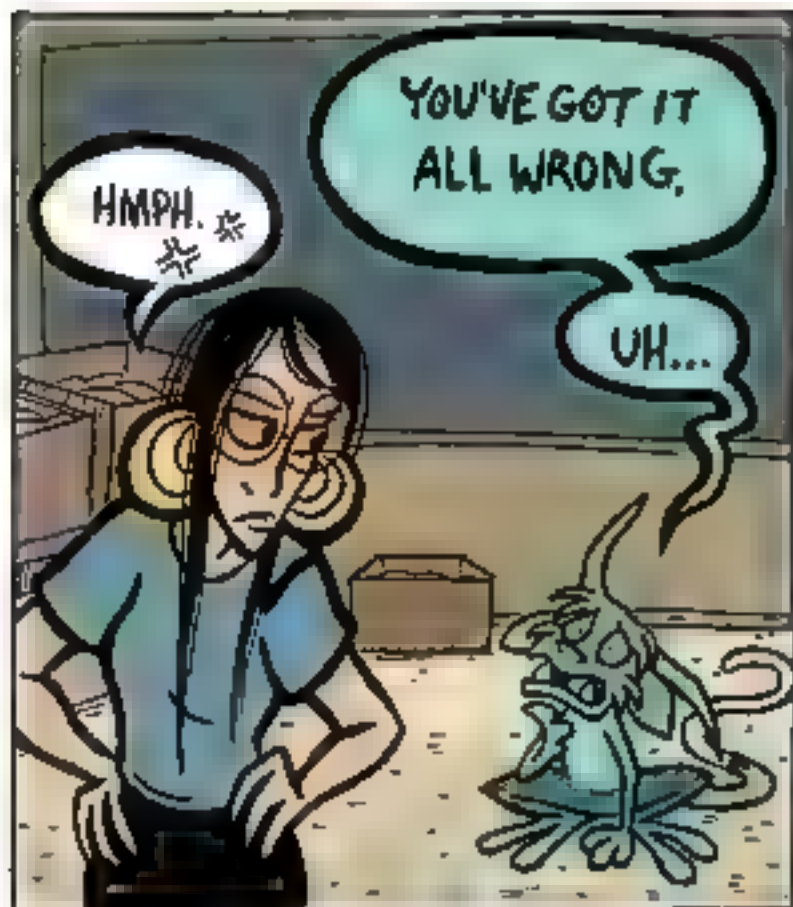
FATHER DECIDED TO COAT
A PAIR OF GLASSES WITH
THE KAMPING OIL SO
HE COULD POSSIBLY
CATCH SIGHT OF ONE.

HOWEVER, HE CONCLUDED THAT
THE FROGOBLIMS LIVE DEEP
IN THE MOUNTAINOUS JUNGLES
OF THE ISLAND AWAY FROM
CIVILIZATION AND TOO DEEP
FOR HUMANS TO VENTURE.



ANYWAY, I KNOW YOU'RE A
HUMAN AND I WANT TO KNOW
WHAT POSSESSED YOU TO
TAKE MAGGOT FROM HER
NATURAL
HABITAT.





I DON'T HAVE
ANY MONEY...

YOU SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT
ABOUT THAT BEFORE YOU LET
HER EAT ALL MY FOOD.

I HAD NO
IDEA SHE WAS—

WELL, YOU SHOULD
HAVE KEPT A BETTER
EYE ON HER.

BUT!

HARPER, I'M
GOING HOME—



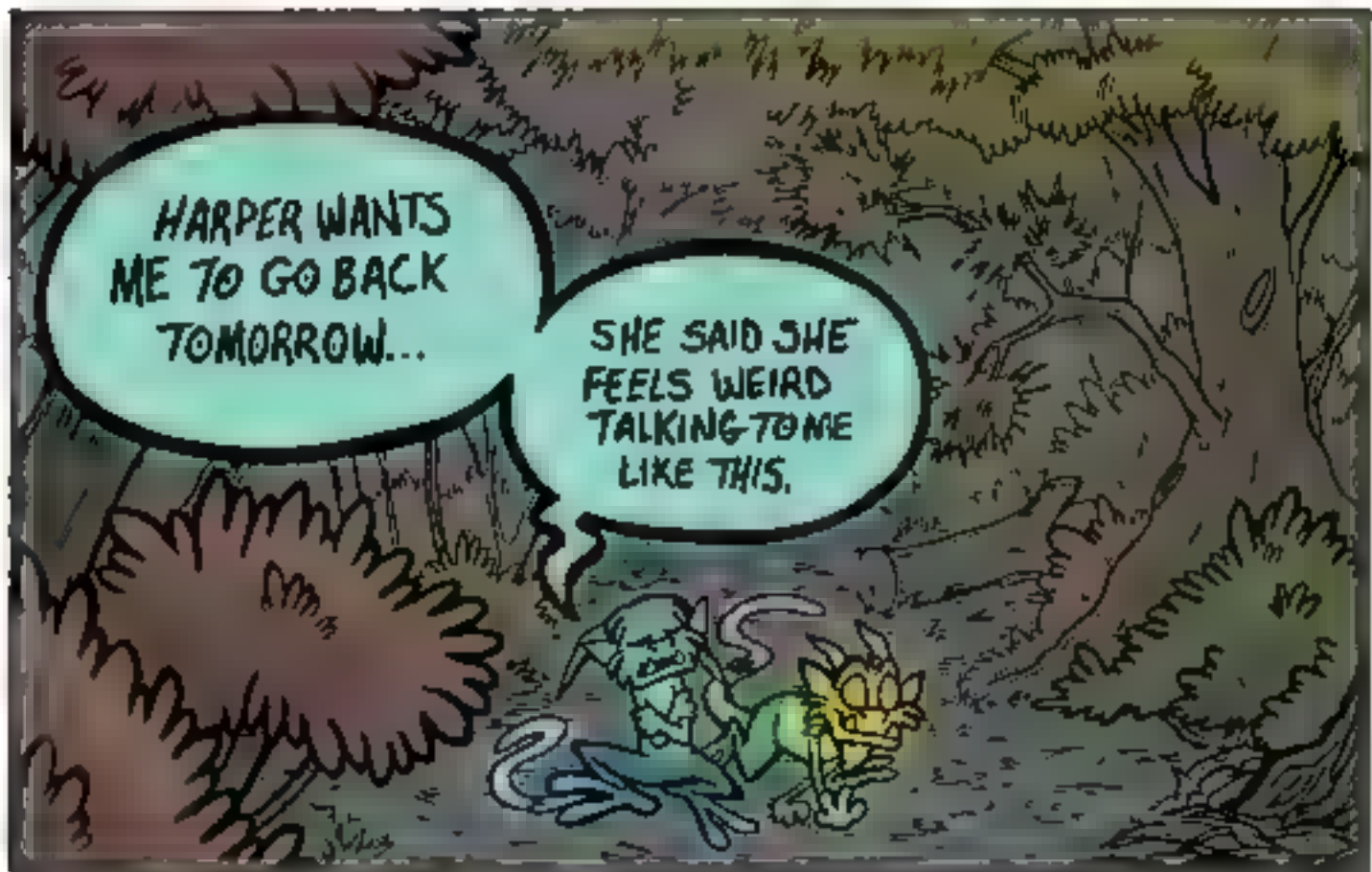
BLAH BLAH BLAH
BLAH BLAH BLAH?
BLAH BLAH!
BLAH

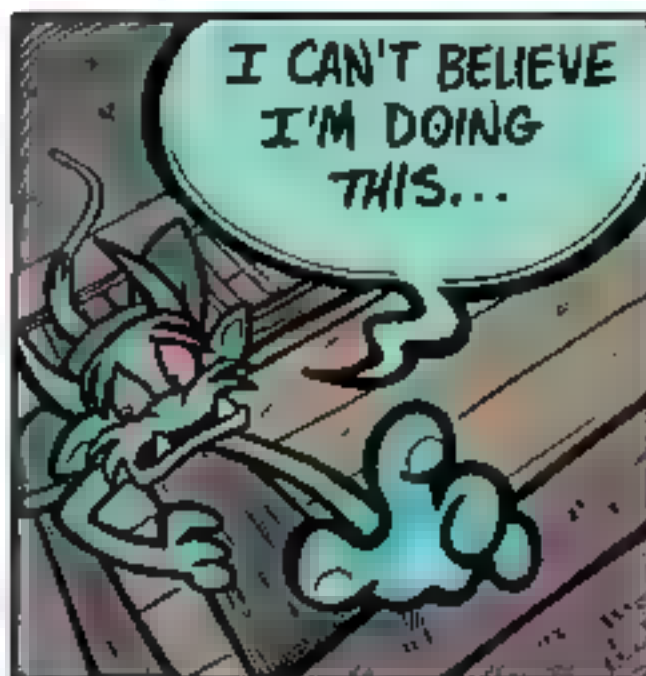
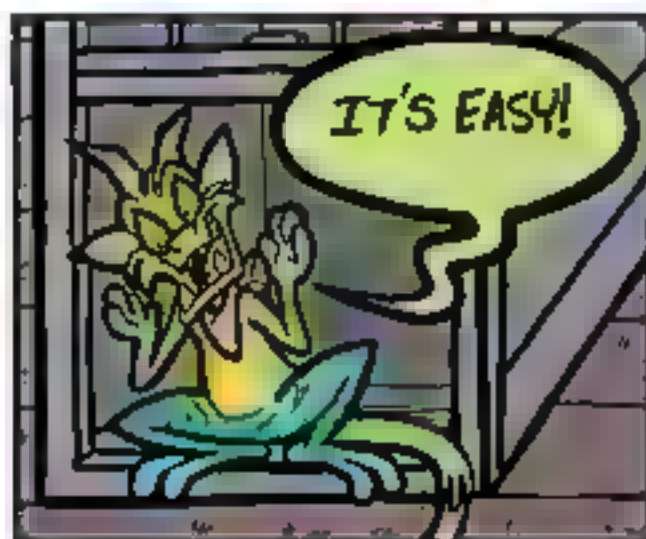
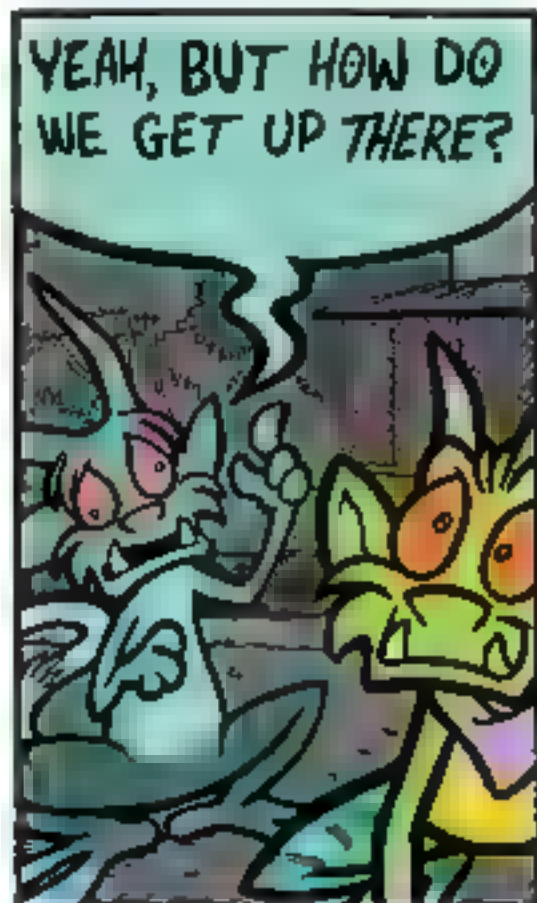


WHAT'S
GOING ON?











WAAH!



WHAT A
CRUMBY WAY
TO GO!

FALLING
IN A —

HOLD ON...

WHERE AM
I ANYWAY?





EVERYTHING'S
WHITE...



WHERE ARE
THE PANELS?

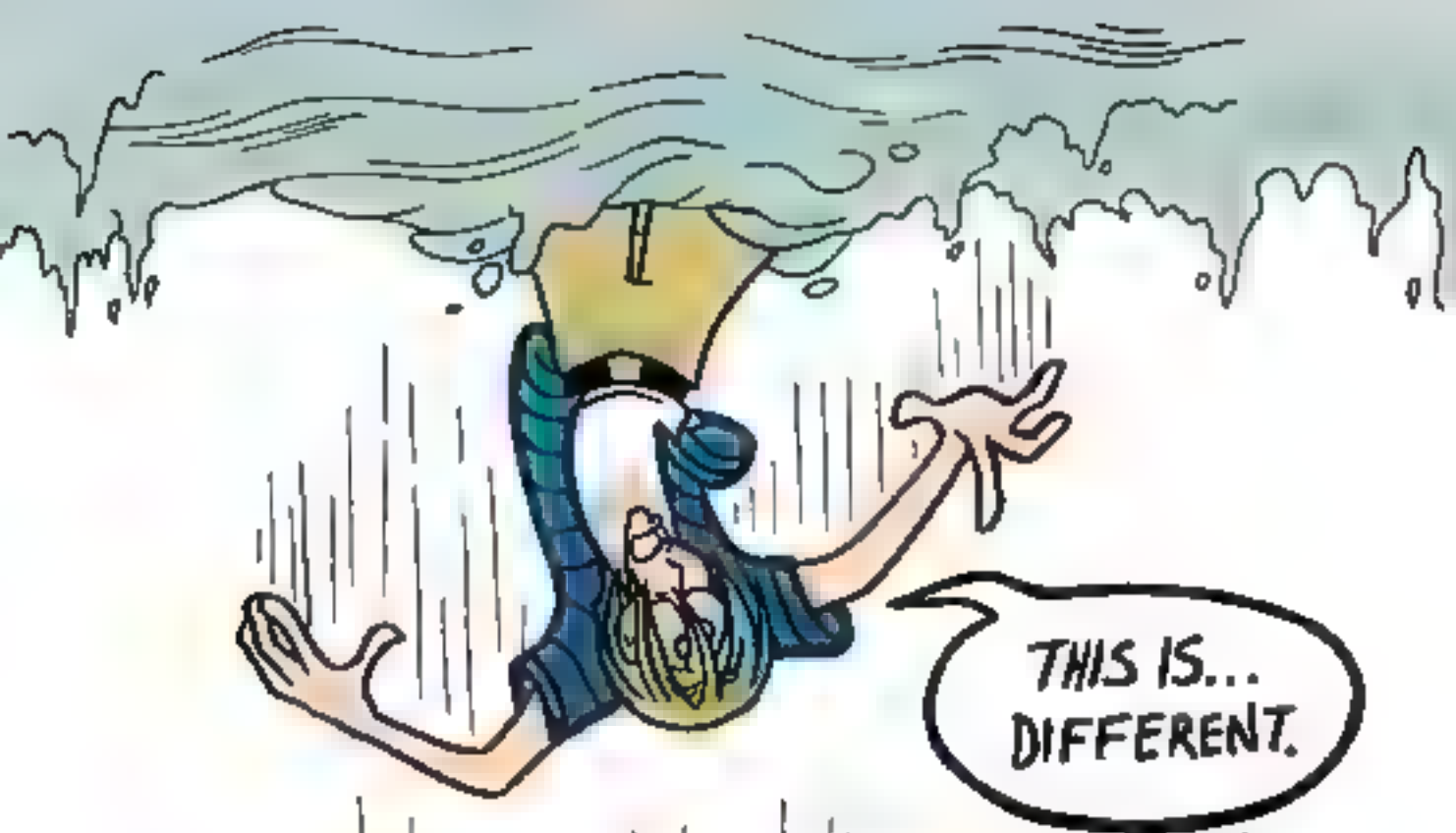


I CAN'T
EVEN SEE THE
GROUND.

WOAH!

WHAT'S
THAT?!



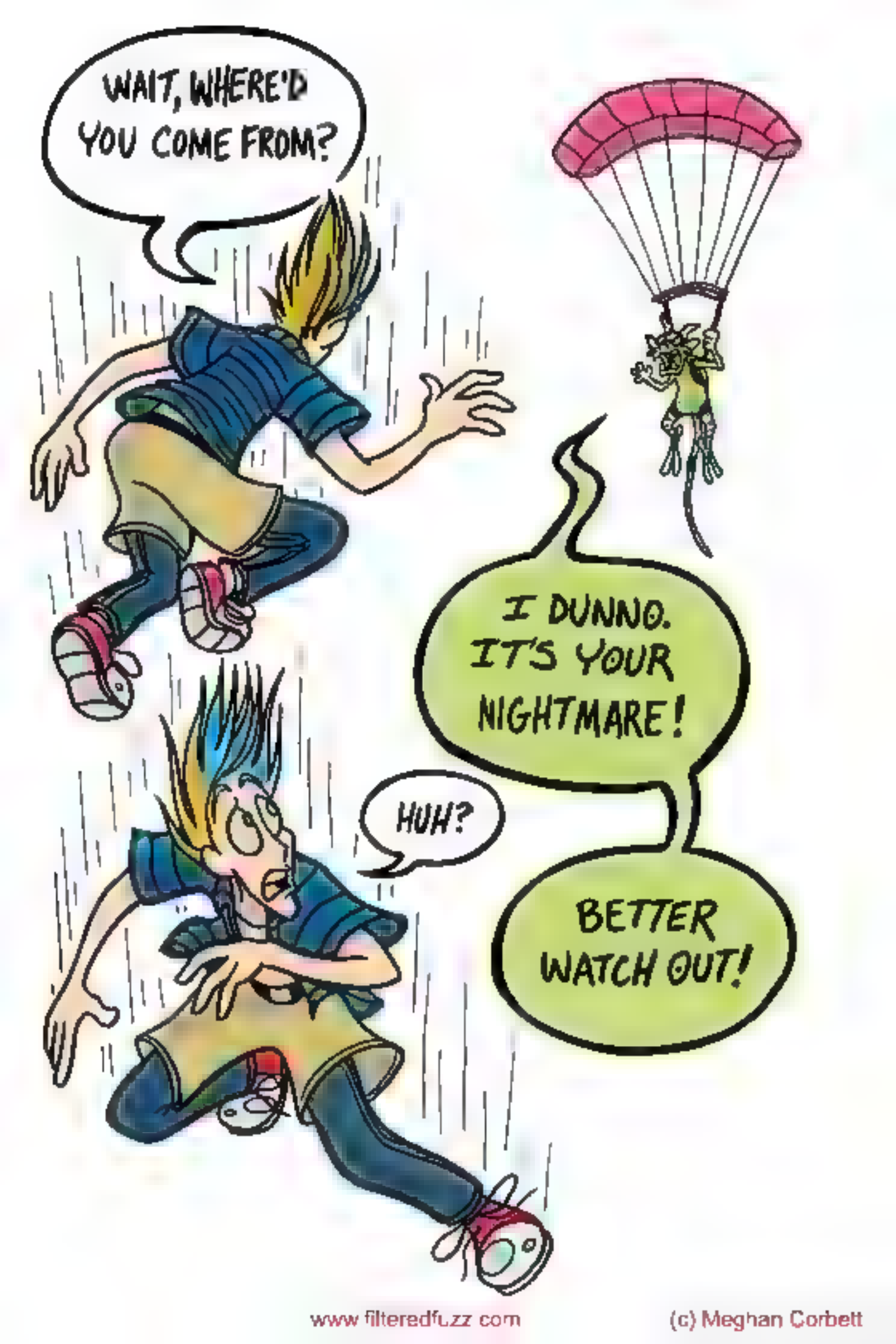


~sigh~

GEE... I
WONDER HOW FAR
I'VE COME?

MAGGOT?

HELLO,
JARED!



A cartoon illustration depicting a boy with spiky blonde hair running through heavy rain. He is wearing a blue and white striped t-shirt, tan shorts, and red sneakers. He is looking back over his shoulder with a questioning expression. In the upper right, a cat with orange and white fur is parachuting down with a pink canopy. The cat is looking towards the boy. The rain is represented by numerous vertical black lines. Three speech bubbles are present: one from the boy at the top left, one from the cat in the middle right, and a small one from the boy at the bottom left.

WAIT, WHERE'D
YOU COME FROM?

I DUNNO.
IT'S YOUR
NIGHTMARE!

HUH?

BETTER
WATCH OUT!



WHAT DID
SHE MEAN?

"BETTER
WATCH OUT?"



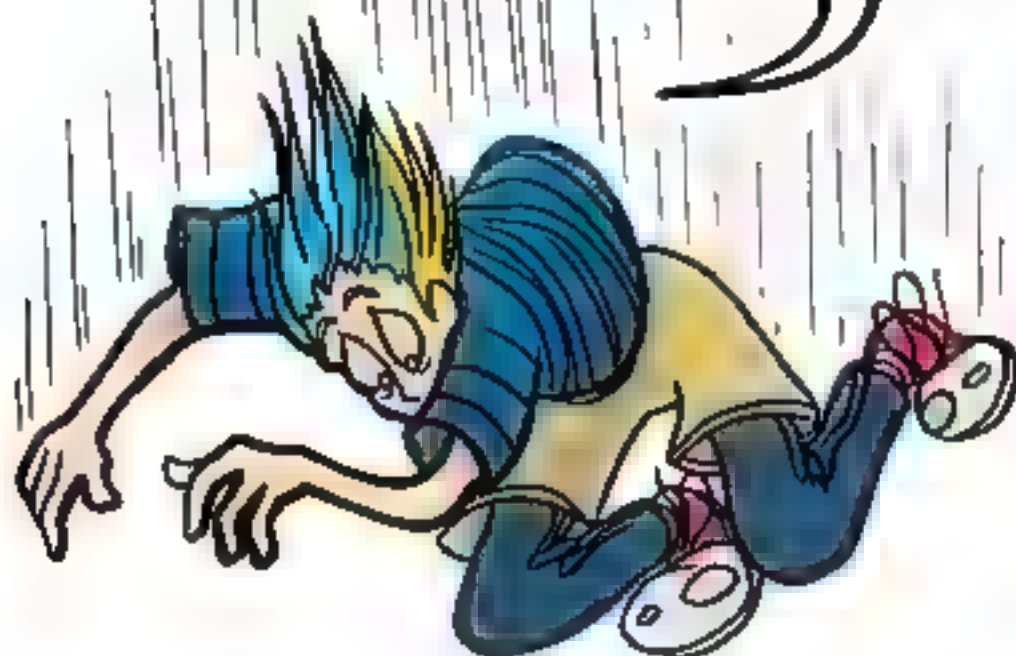
HOW LONG
HAVE I BEEN
FALLING ANYWAY?



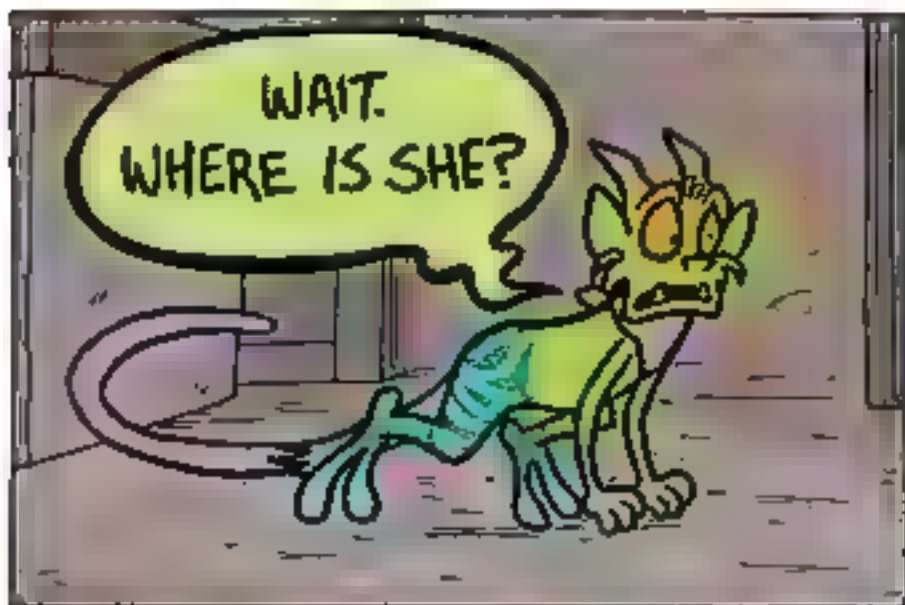
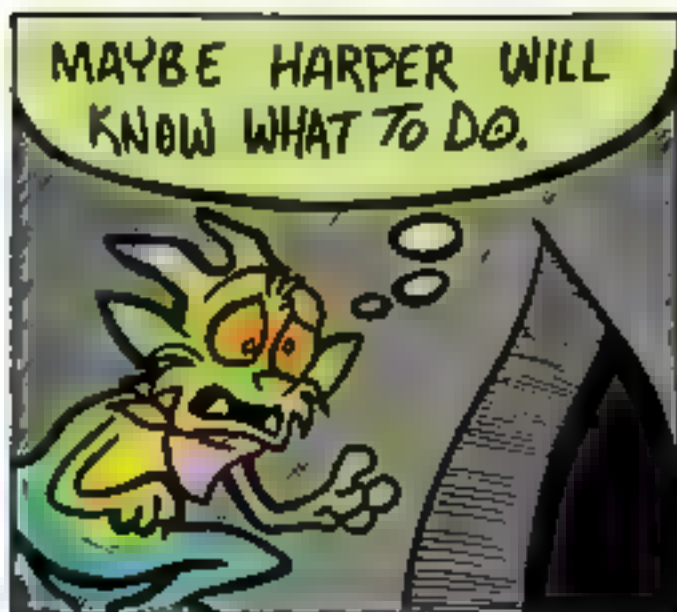
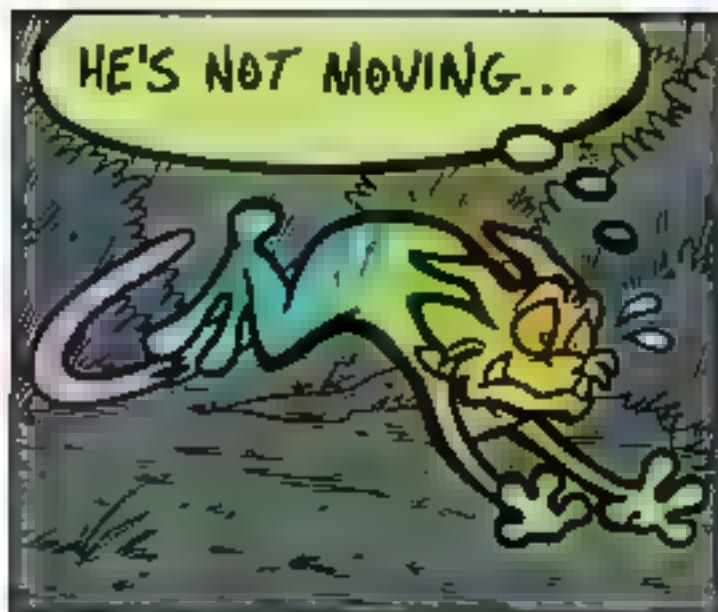
WATCH...
OUT...?

WOAH!

WHAT IS
THAT?!









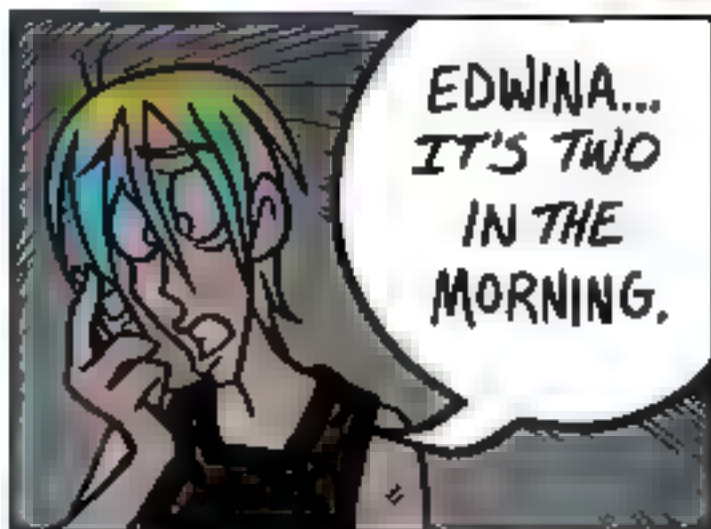
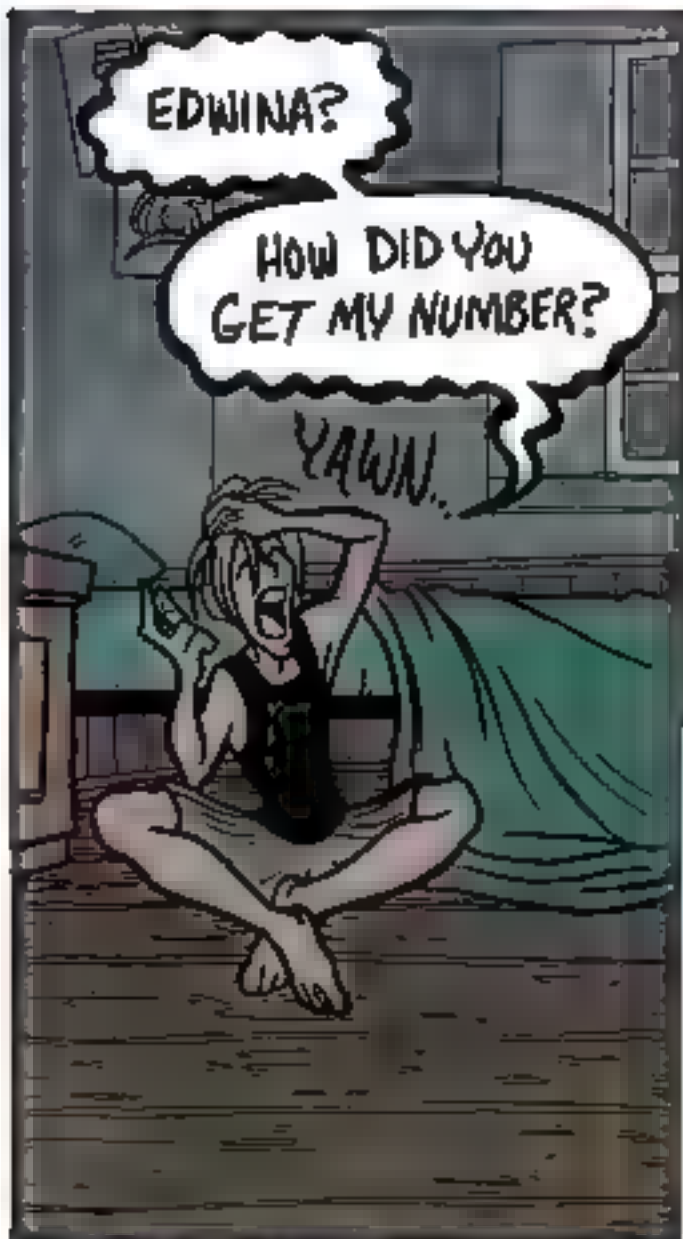
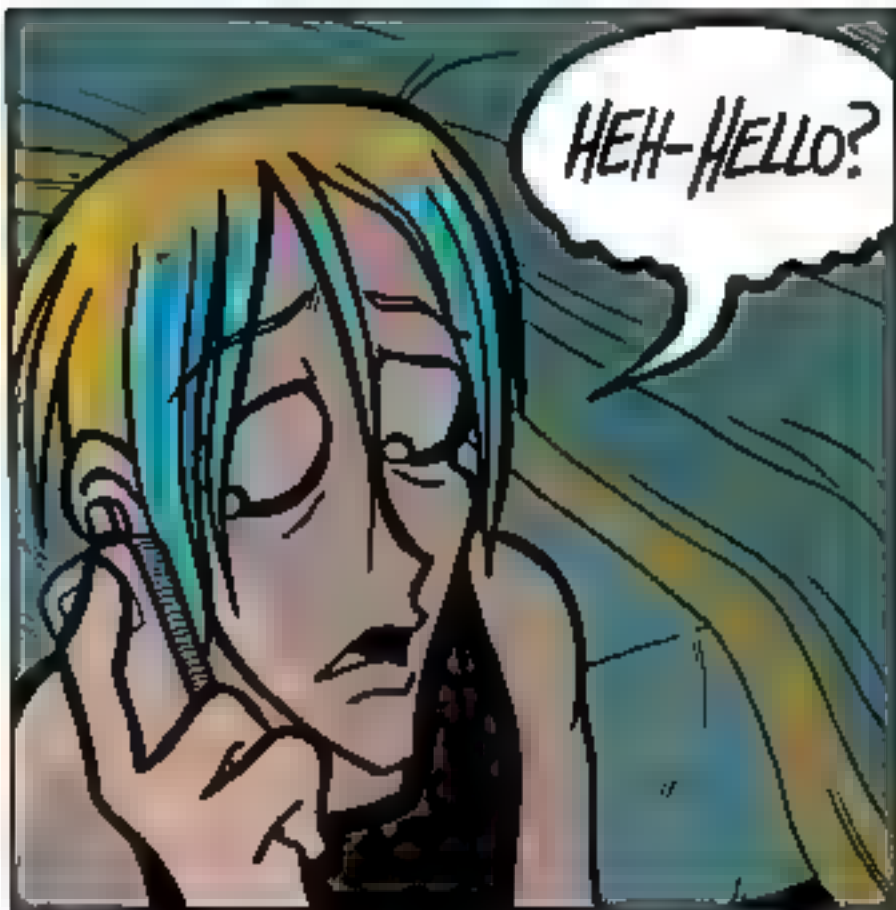
RING

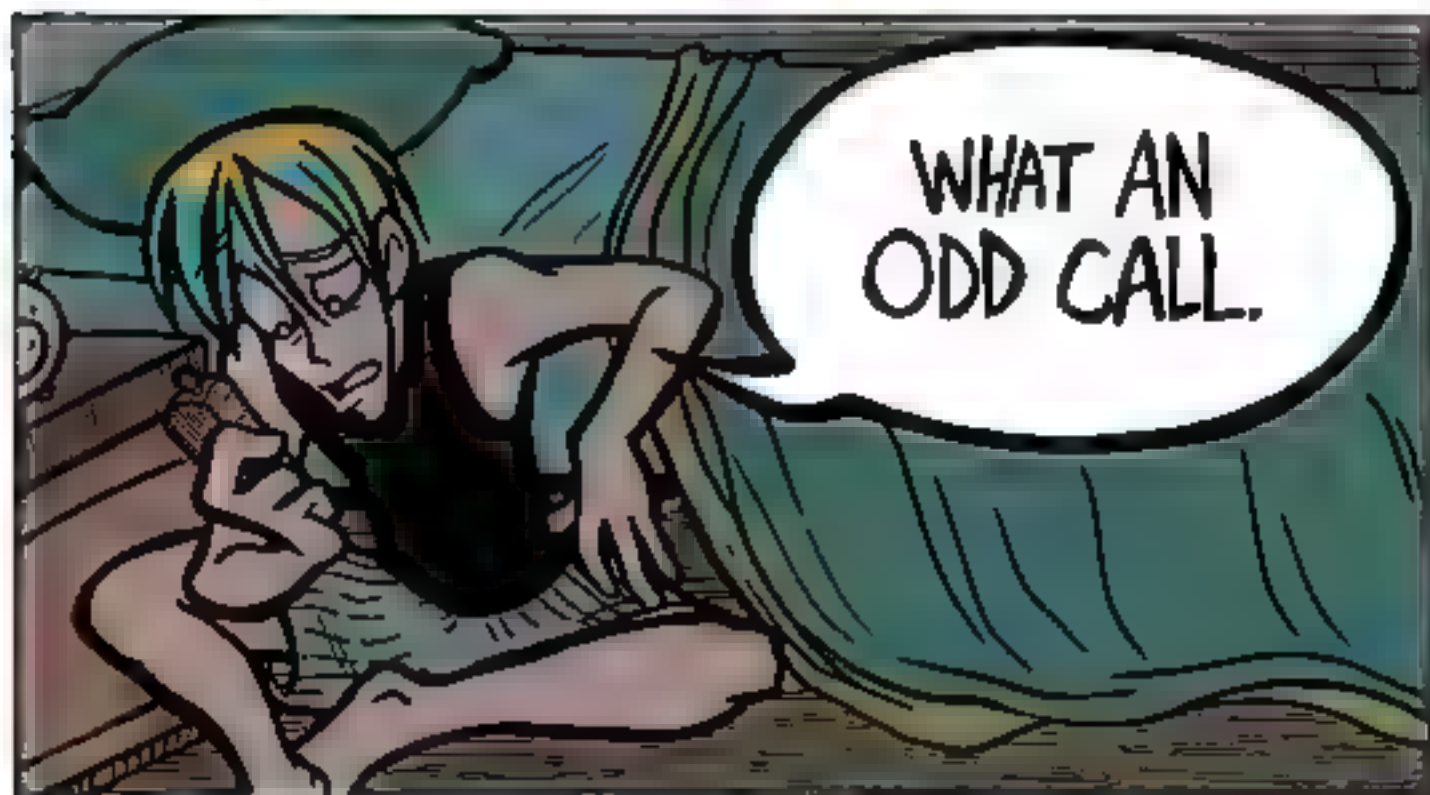
INCOMING

OOF!

...OW.

RING





THE NEXT MORNING...

THIS IS WEIRD...

DID I FALL OFF THE HOUSE LAST NIGHT?

IF SO, I SHOULD BE DEAD.

S SHOP

WHERE IS MAGGOT ANYWAY?

YOU'RE KIDDING
HONEY?

HE'S TALKIN
TO HIMSELF

WHAT IF I'M REALLY DEAD?



I CAN'T
BE DEAD.

I DON'T
FEEL DEAD.



AND YOU SORT OF
HAVE TO BE NOT
LIVING TO BE DEAD.

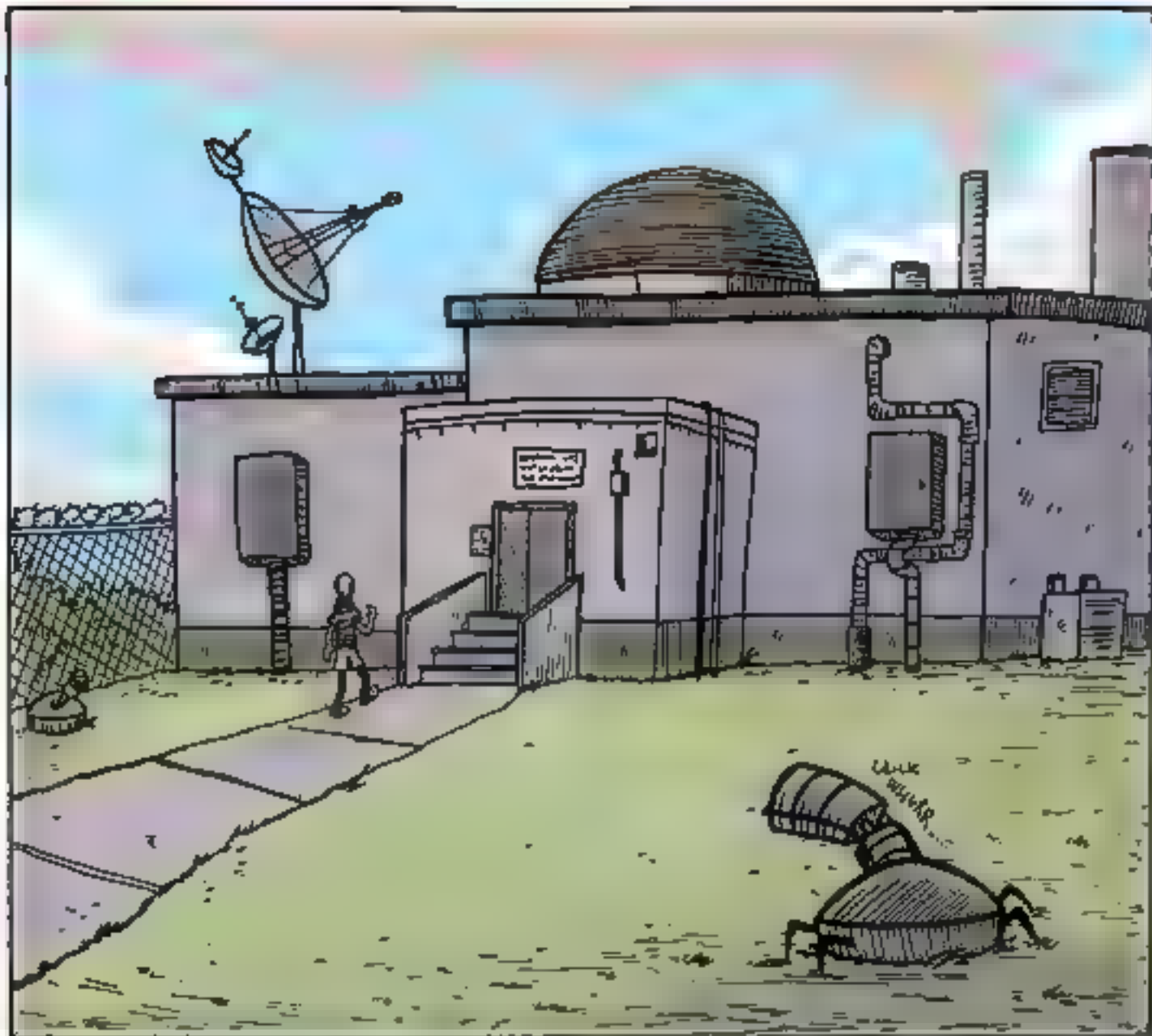


THIS IS
RIDICULOUS.

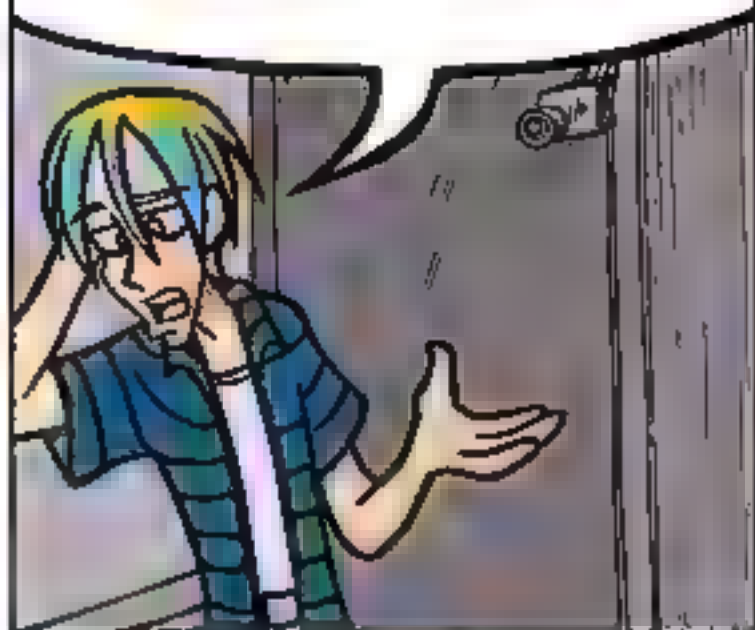


I GUESS
I COULD ASK
MAGGOT.

BUT WHERE
DID SHE GET
OFF TO?



I KNOW THIS WON'T END WELL.
MAYBE I SHOULD TURN BACK NOW.



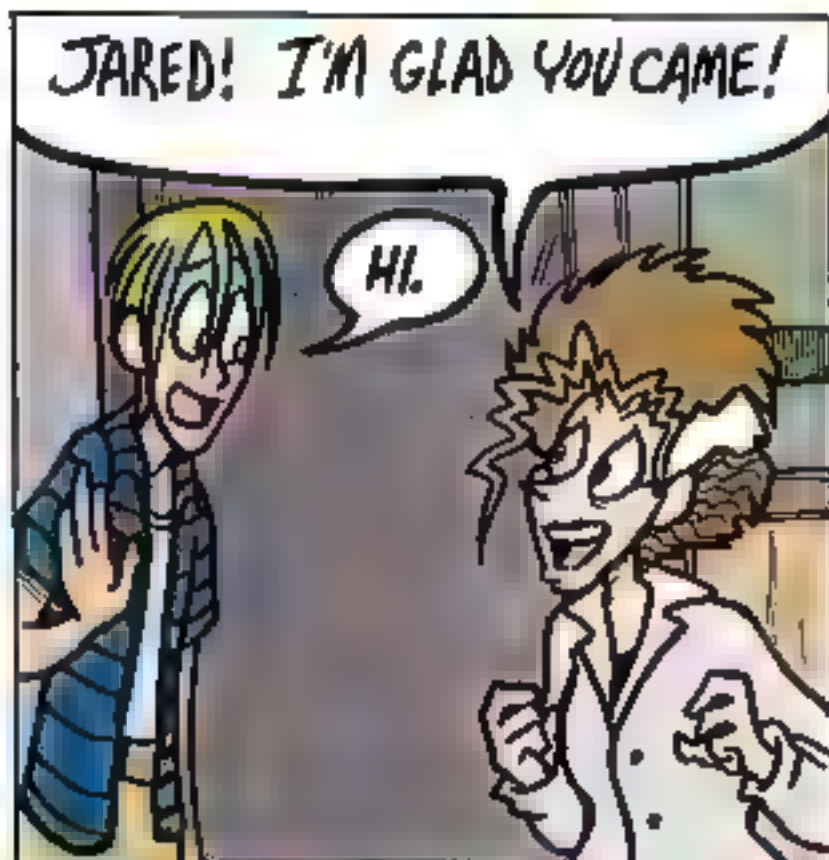
HI, JARED! WAIT THERE
FOR A SECOND.



I SHOULD BE TRYING TO
FIND MAGGOT... I HOPE
THIS DOESN'T TAKE LONG.

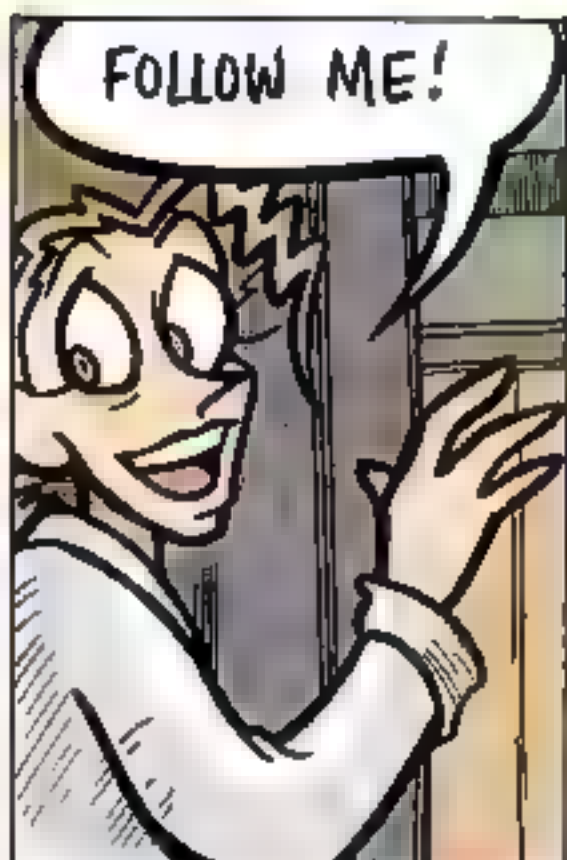


JARED! I'M GLAD YOU CAME!

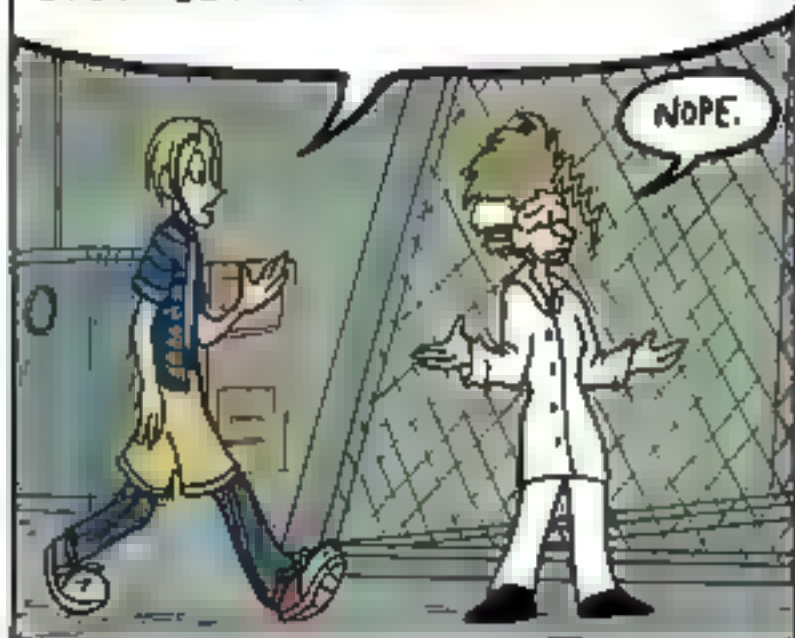


HI.

FOLLOW ME!



YOU LOOK TIRED. HAVE YOU BEEN GETTING ENOUGH SLEEP?



NOPE.

I'VE BEEN WORKING LATE. I BELIEVE I AM ON THE VERGE OF AN AMAZING DISCOVERY.



WOW... YOU SURE HAVE A LOT OF ANIMALS...



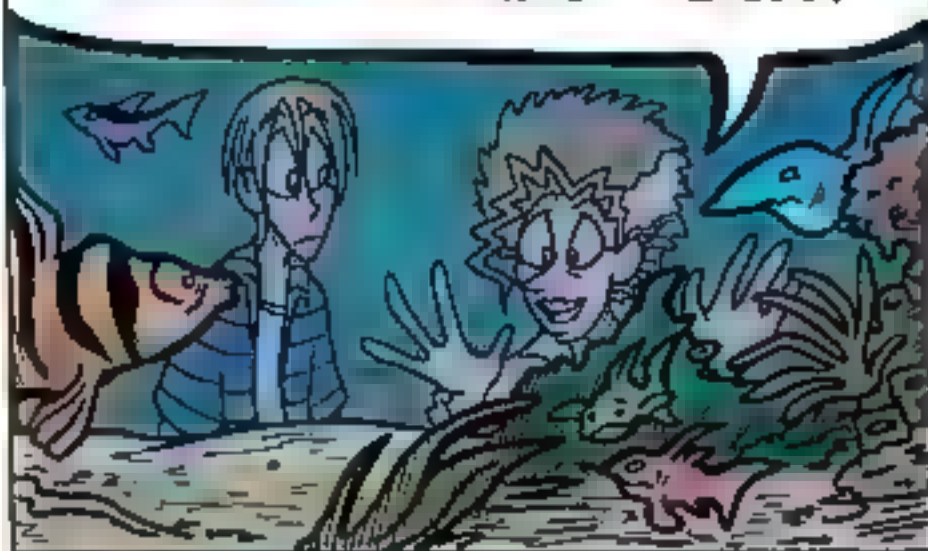
I MAY HAVE DISCOVERED A NEW SPECIES.



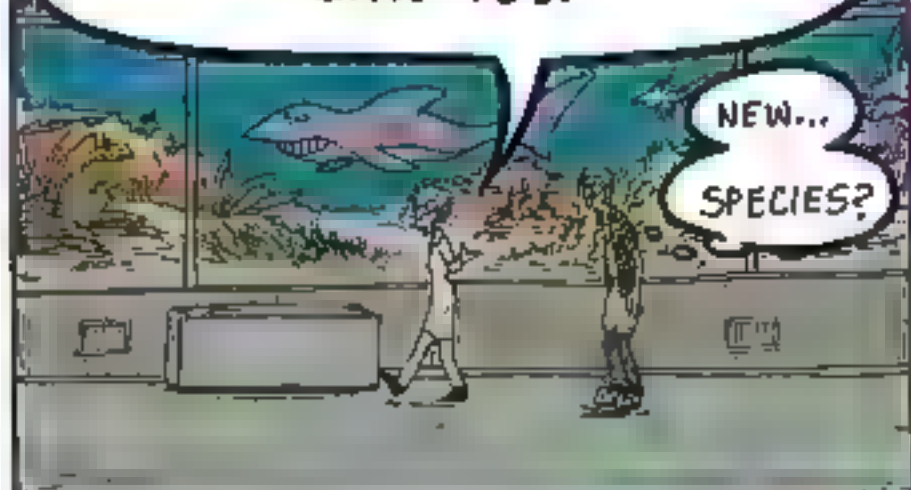
A NEW SPECIES?



I'M NOT SURE BUT ONE OF MY ROBOTS PICKED UP A MOLECULAR SCAN UNLIKE ANYTHING I'VE SEEN.



COINCIDENTALLY, THE SCAN WAS
PICKED UP ON THE DAY I LAST
SAW YOU.

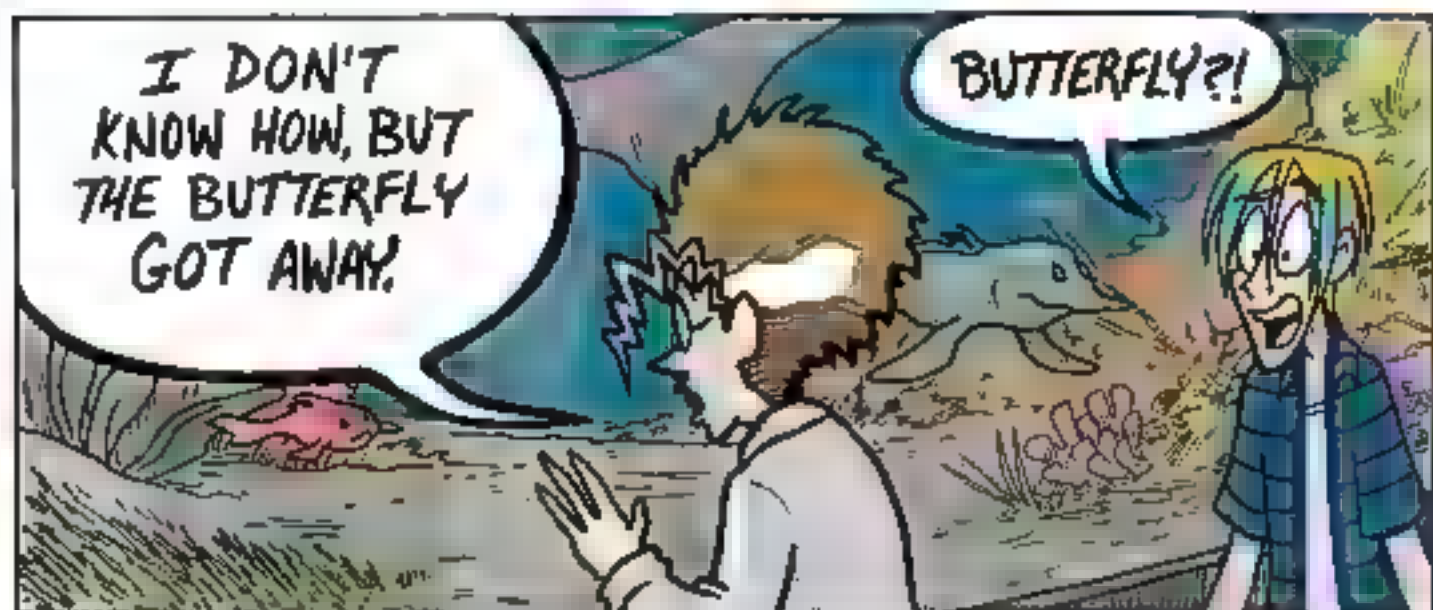


NEW...
SPECIES?

IS SHE TALKING
ABOUT MAGGOT?

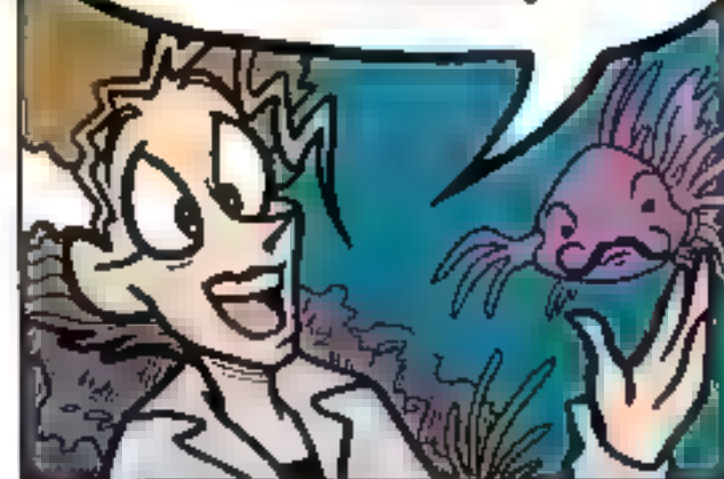


I DON'T
KNOW HOW, BUT
THE BUTTERFLY
GOT AWAY.

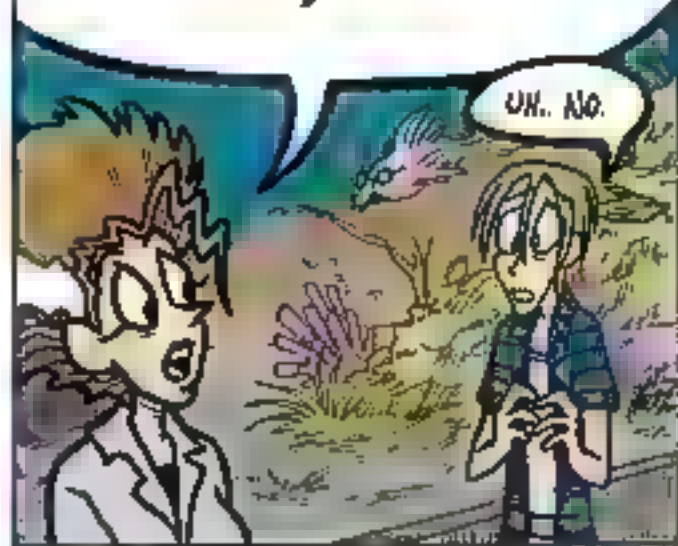


BUTTERFLY?!

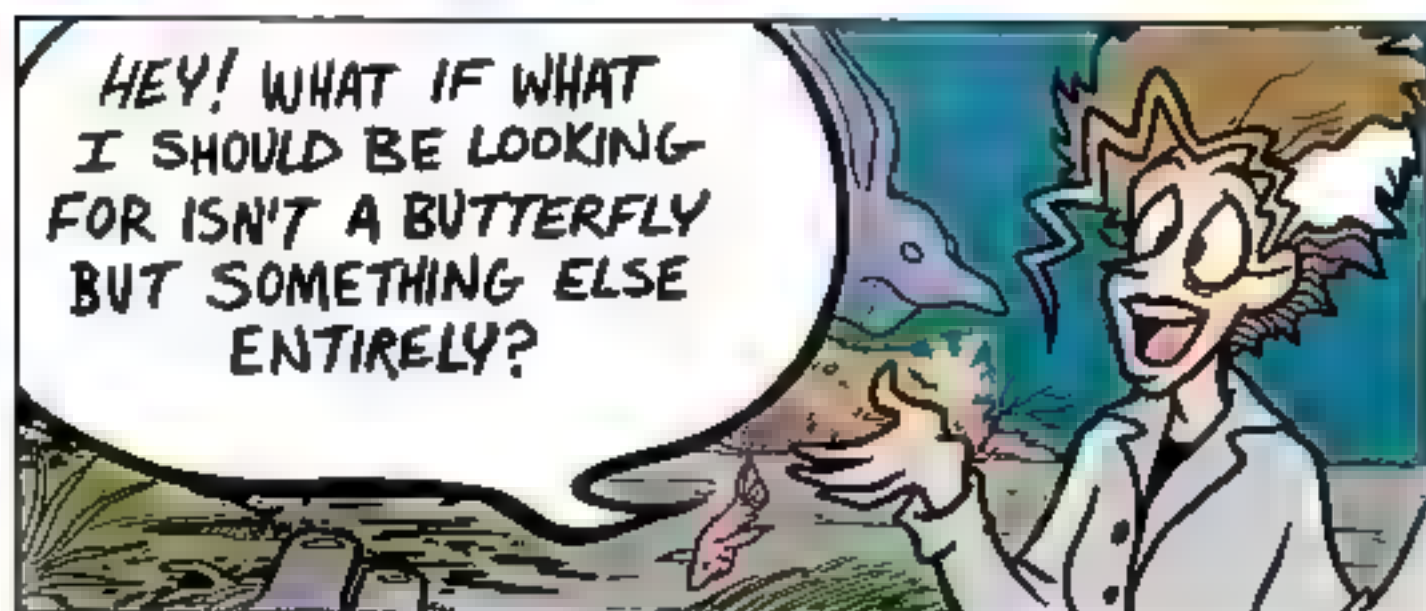
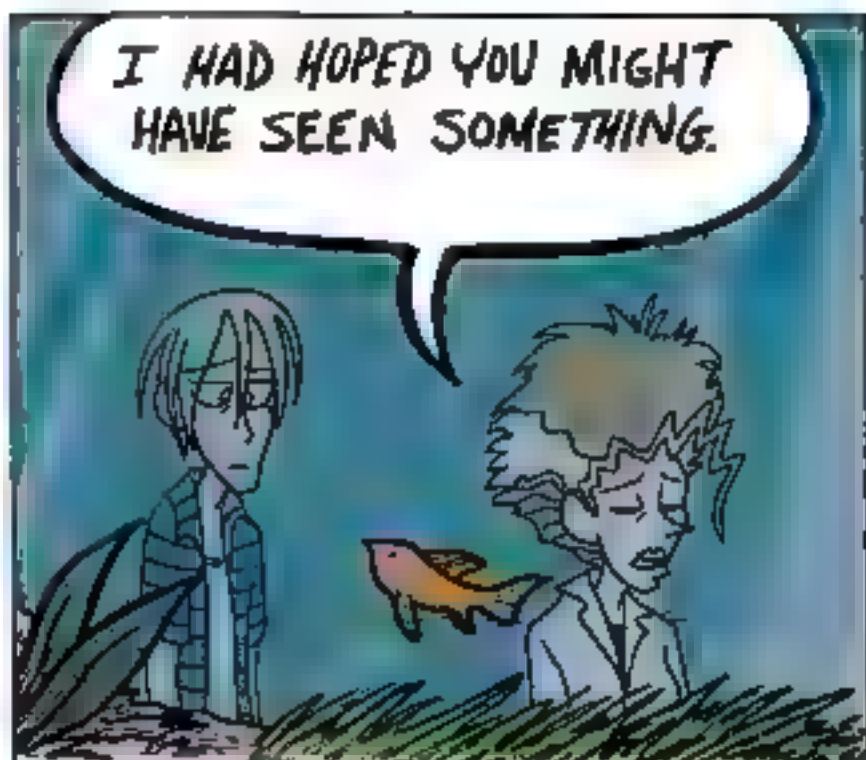
YEAH! I HAD NO IDEA
A BUTTERFLY COULD HAVE
SUCH A UNIQUE GENETIC
STRUCTURE!



YOU DIDN'T HAPPEN TO
SEE ANYTHING STRANGE
THAT DAY, DID YOU?



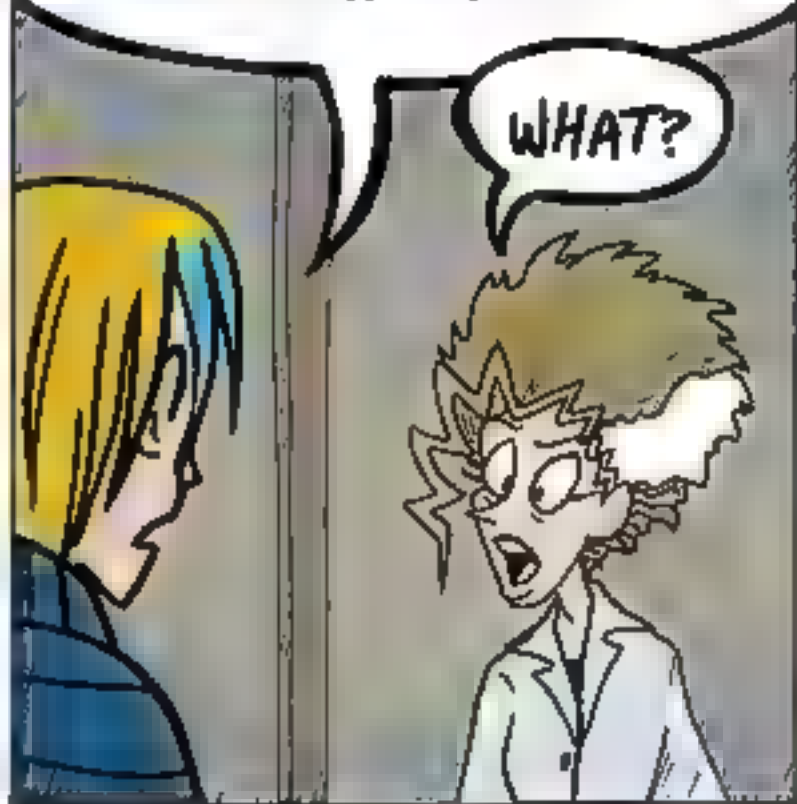
UH. NO.



MN-10 HAS NEVER
GIVEN ME ANY
PROBLEM BEFORE.

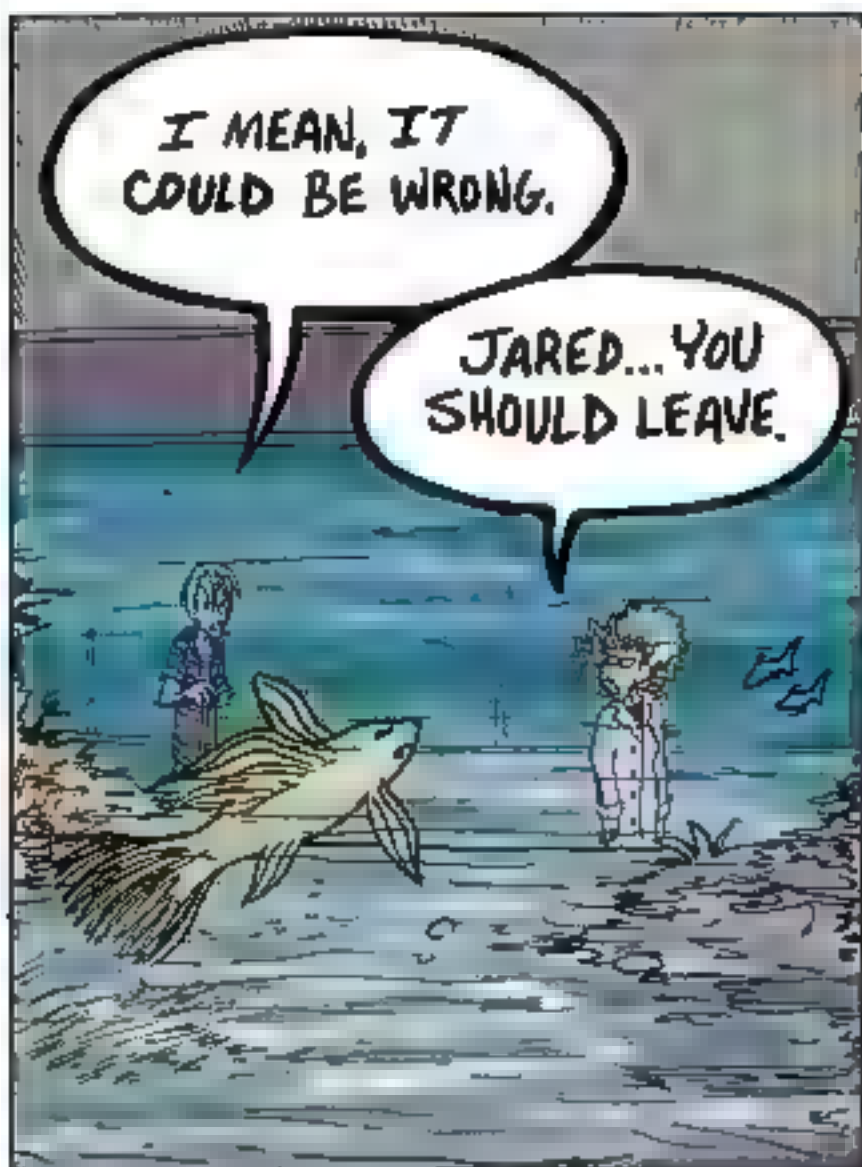


BUT ROBOTS DON'T KNOW
EVERYTHING.



I MEAN, IT
COULD BE WRONG.

JARED... YOU
SHOULD LEAVE.



OKAY...





WHAT WAS I THINKING?



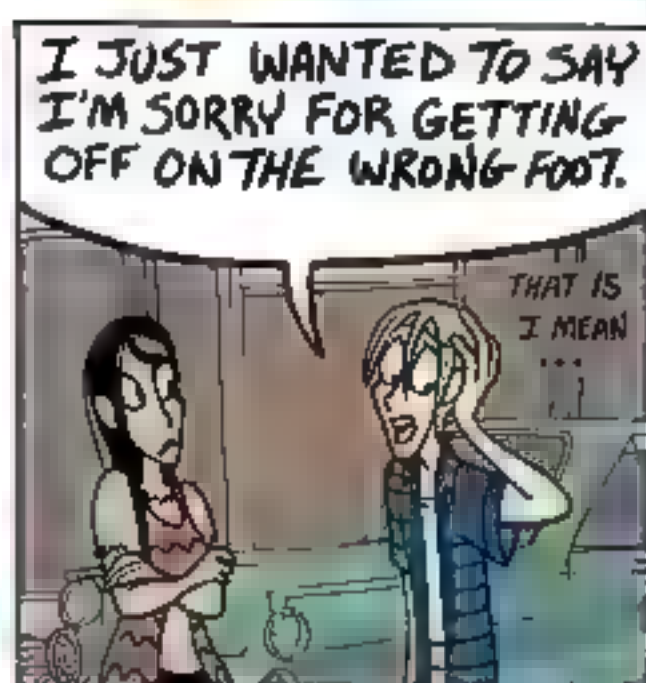
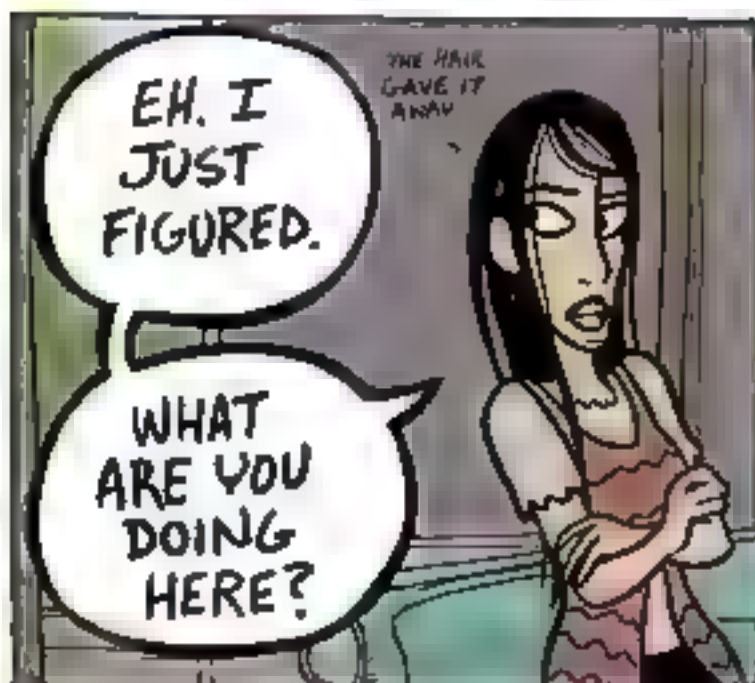
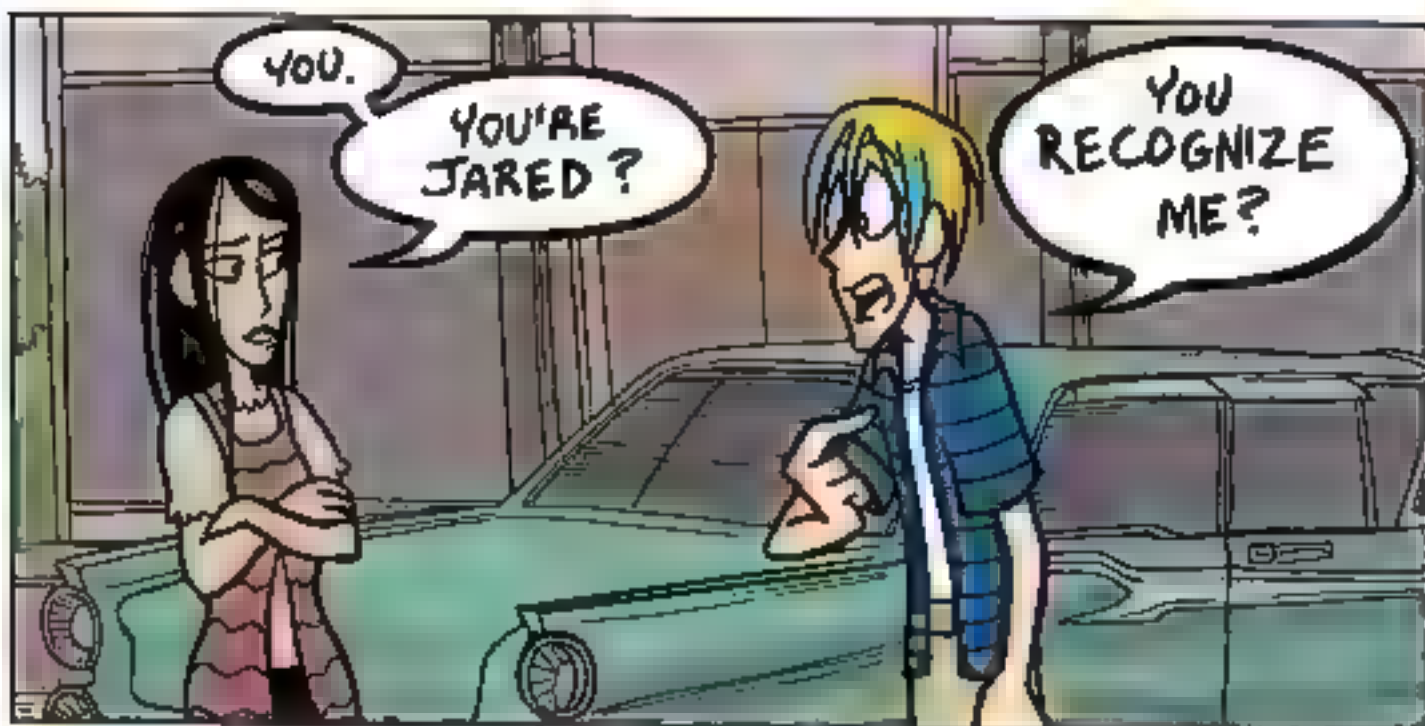
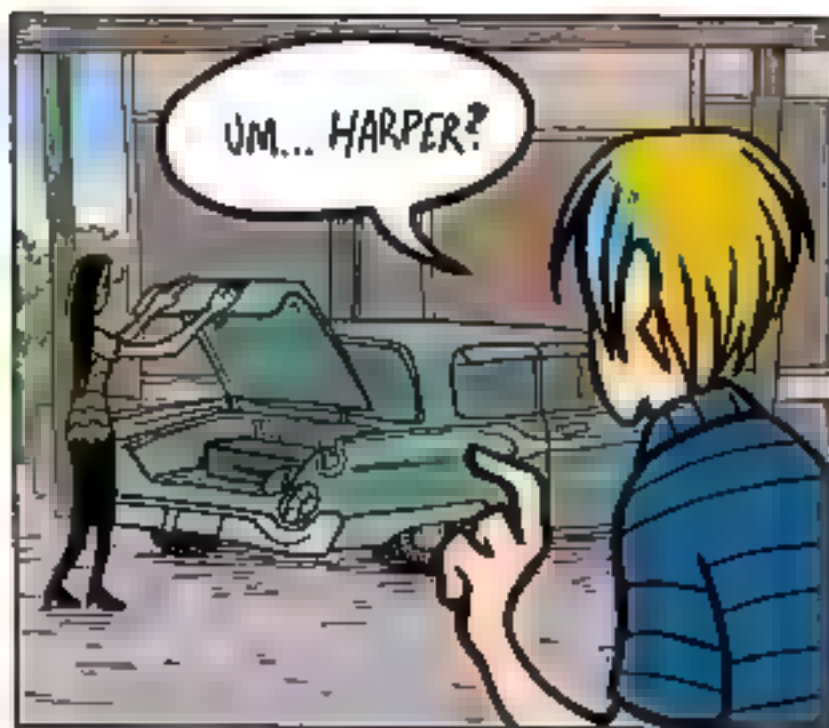
WHY DIDN'T I JUST TELL
HER SHE'S LOOKING FOR
MAGGOT?

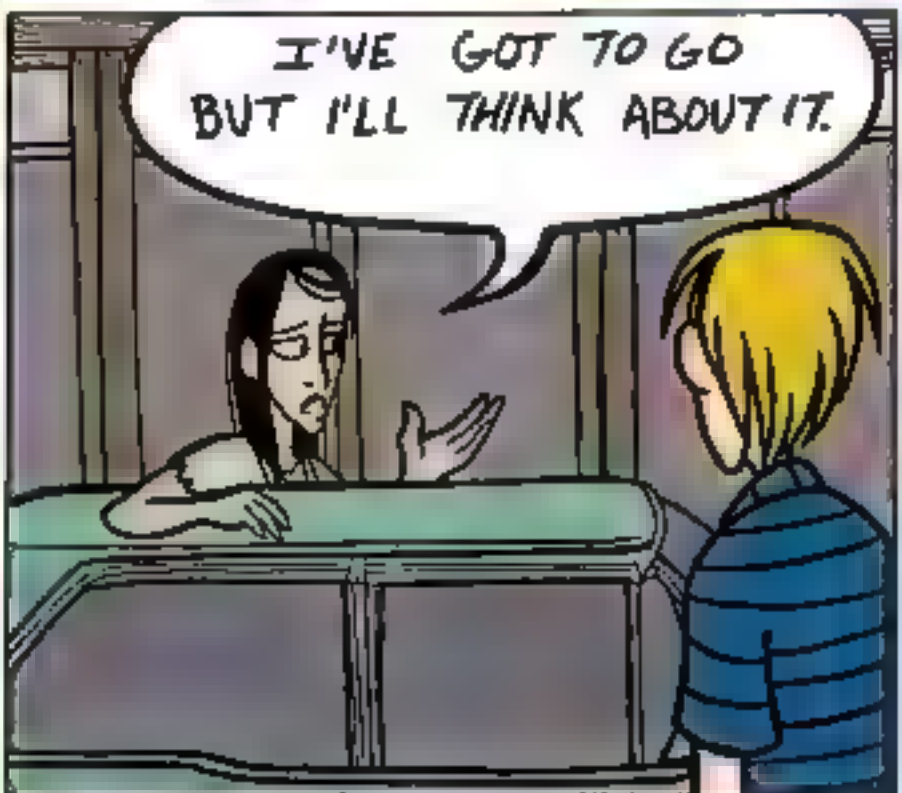
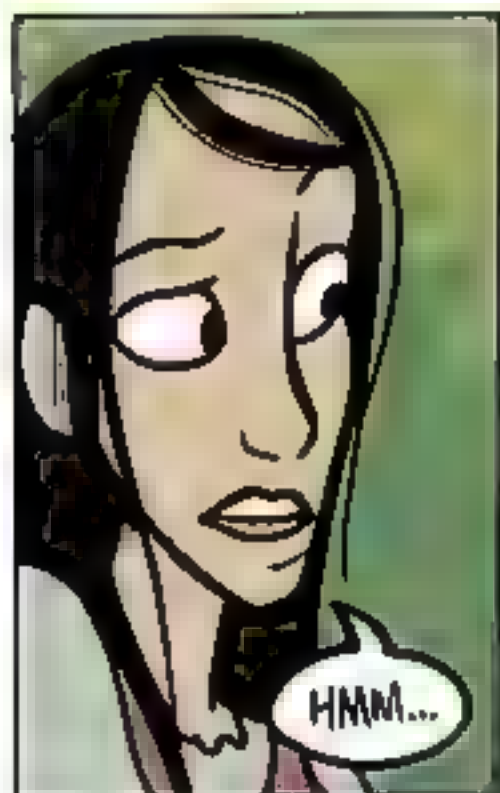
LIKE SHE
WOULD BELIEVE ME.

I THINK
IT WOULD
BE BETTER
IF SHE
DIDN'T
KNOW.









JUST GIVE ME YOUR NUMBER
AND I'LL CALL YOU WHEN I
GET BACK.

HERE'S MY
CARD.

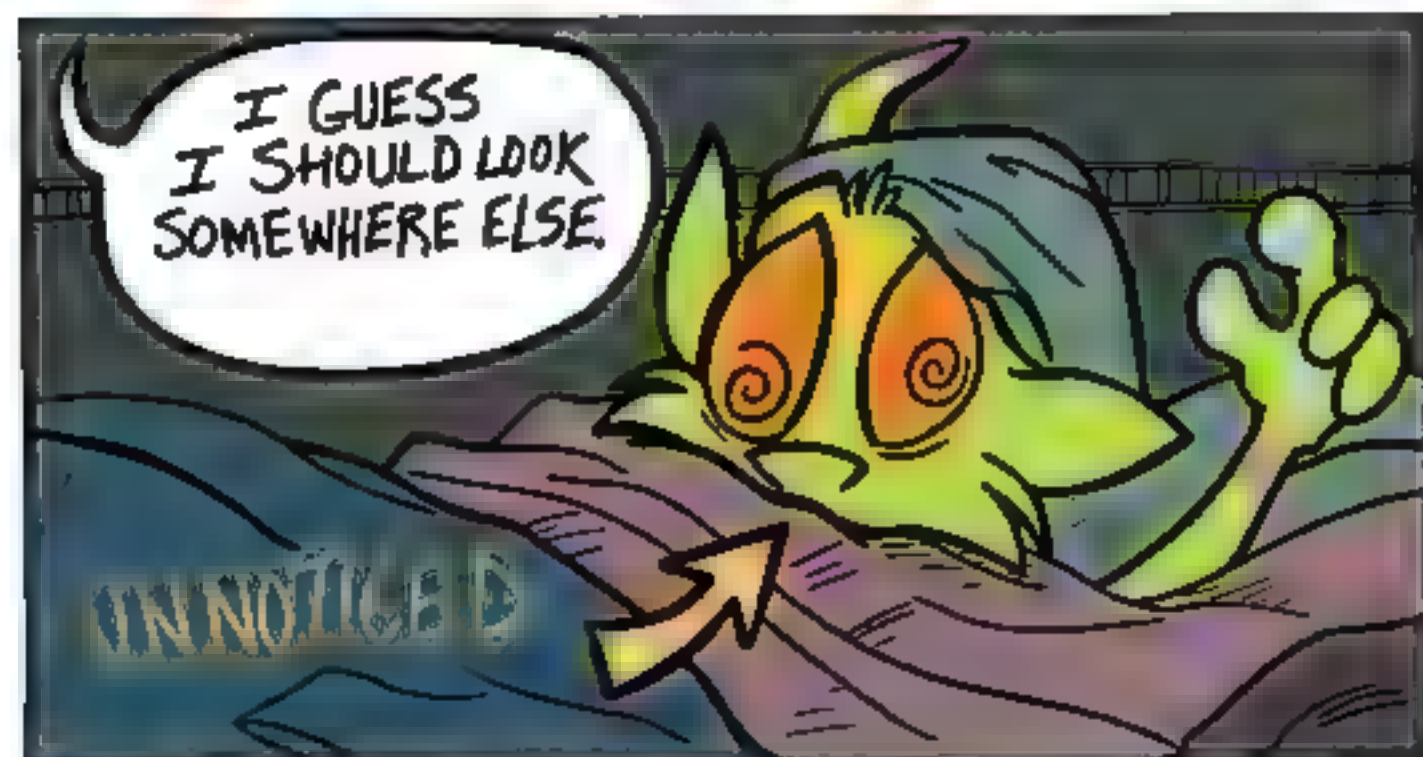
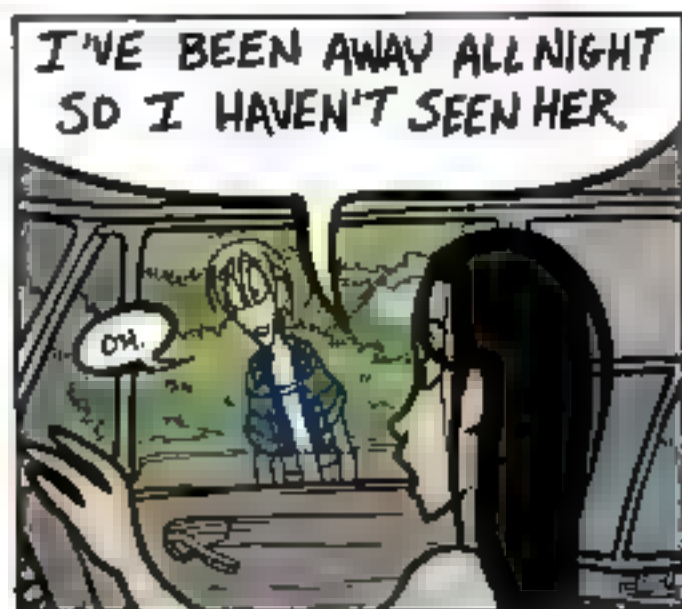
AS FOR NOW, I NEED
TO GET TO THE AIRPORT.

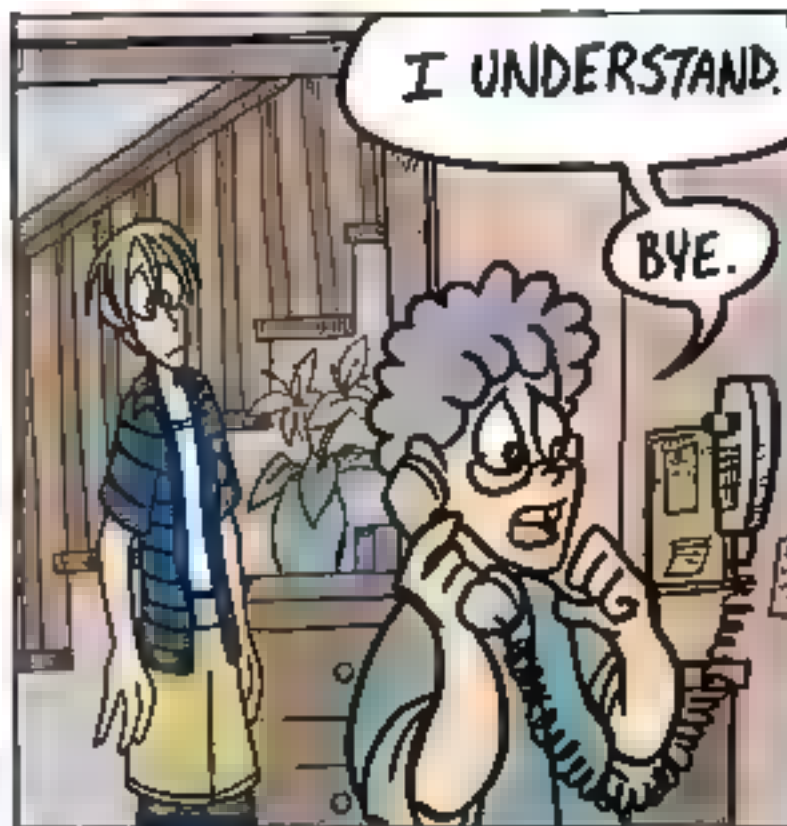
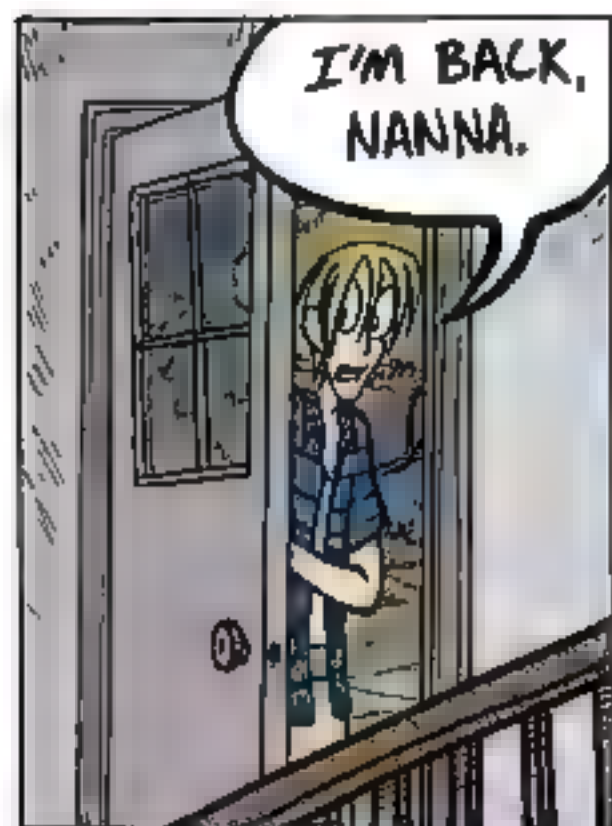
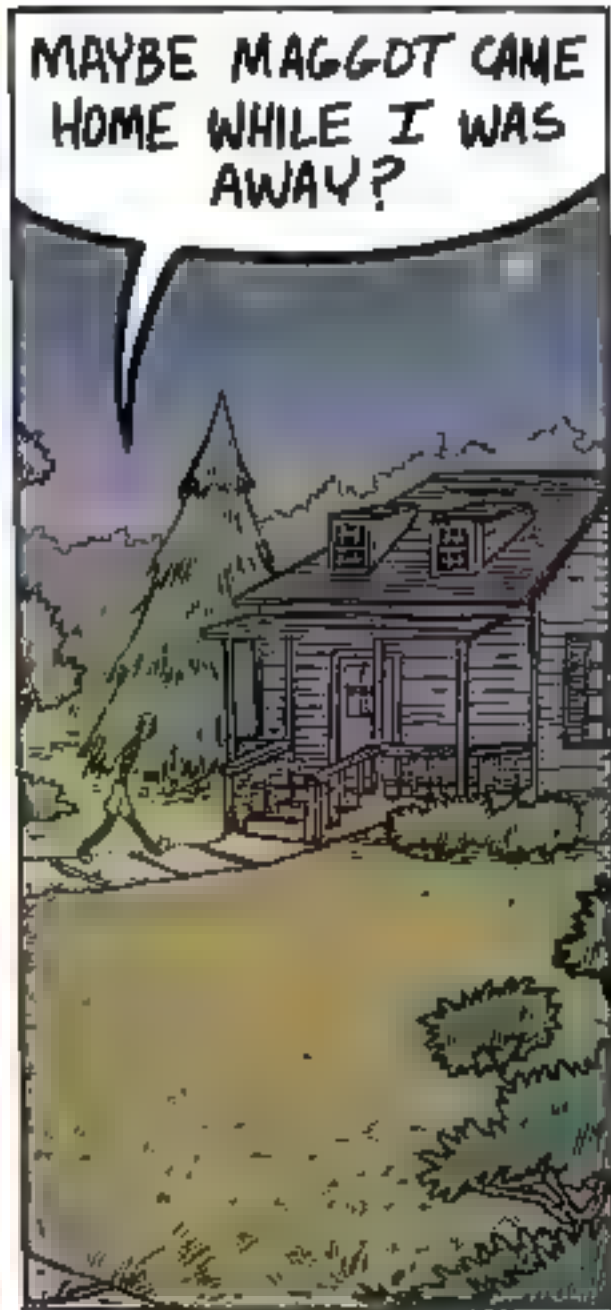
SO... DO I GET
YOUR NUMBER?

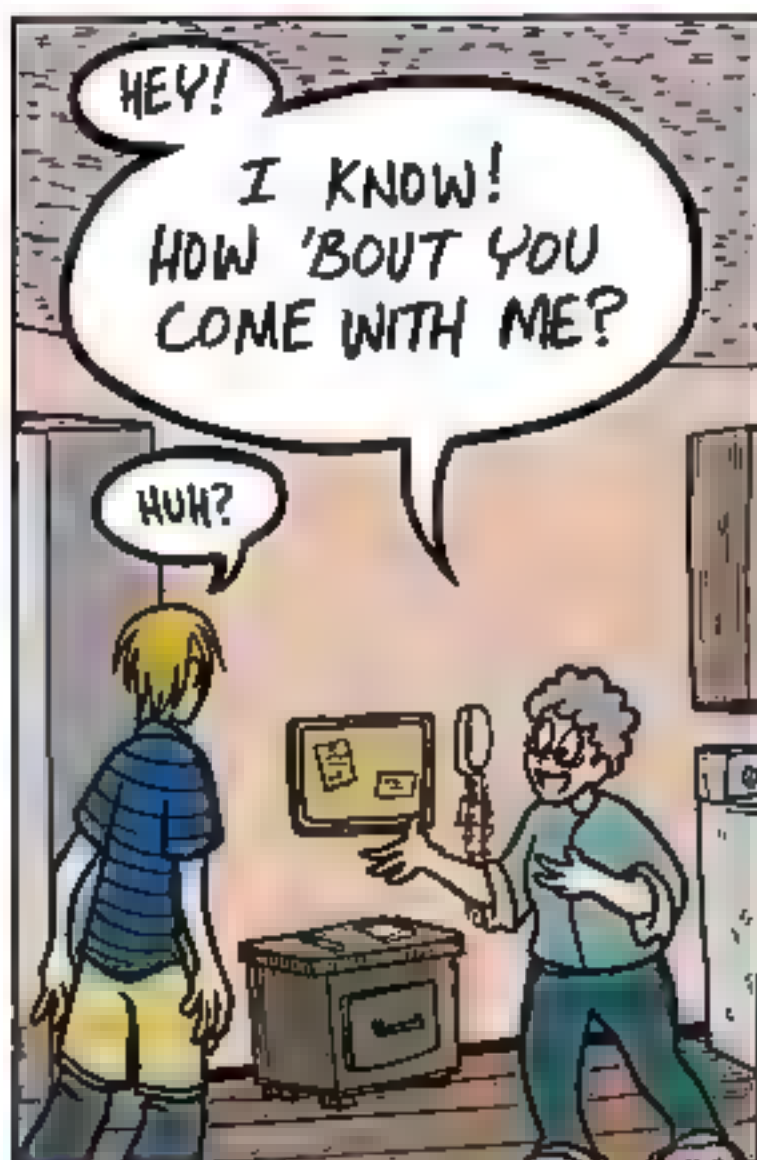
NO.

NOW, IF YOU'LL EXCUSE
ME, I HAVE TO LEAVE.

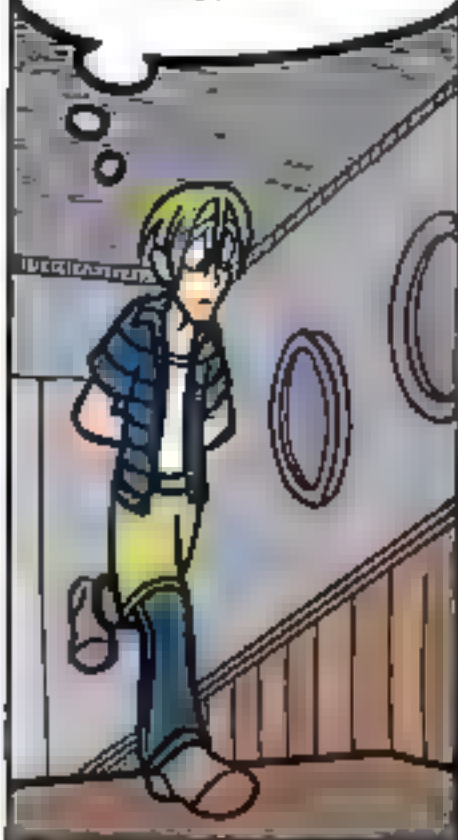
WAIT! I FORGOT
TO ASK YOU...
HAVE YOU SEEN
MAGGOT?







I'M GLAD THAT
NANNA IS HAPPY
BUT....



SHE DIDN'T EVEN
TELL ME WHERE
WE'RE GOING...



AND I STILL
HAVEN'T FOUND
MAGGOT...



I HOPE
SHE'S OKAY...



WELCOME TO LOKINITI
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.



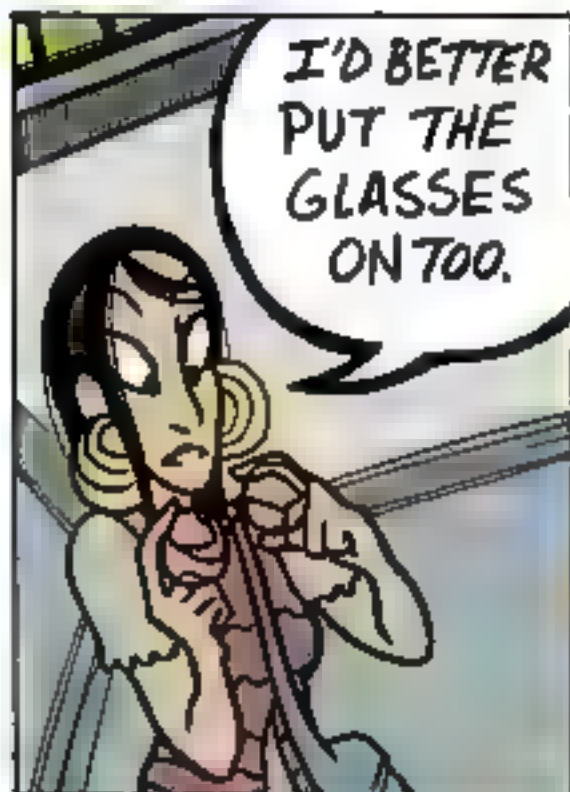
IT WILL TAKE AT
LEAST FIVE HOURS
TO GET TO DAD.



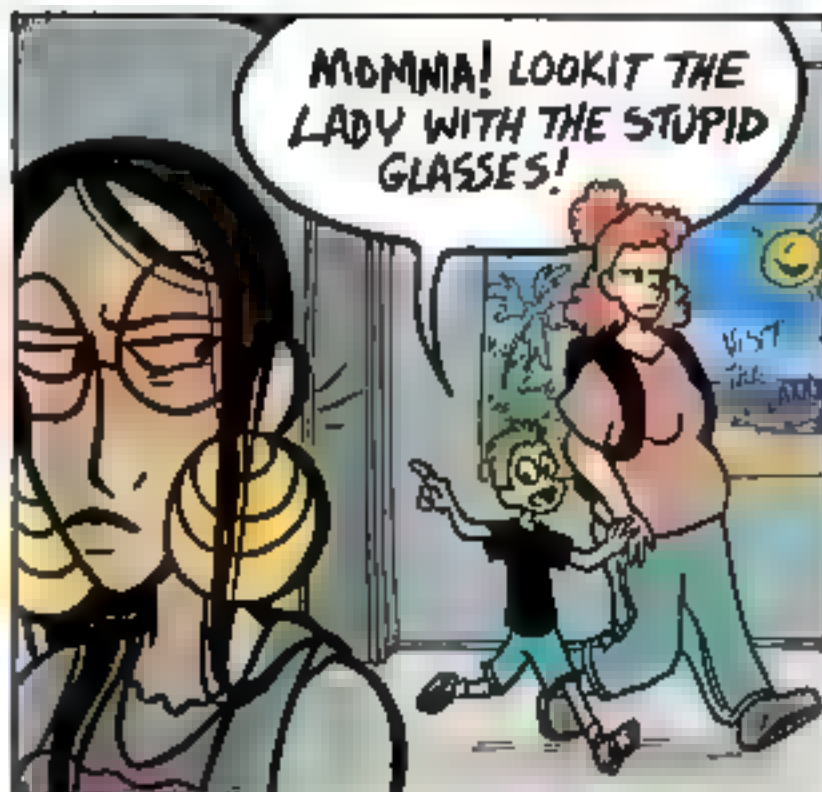
DAD MAY FLIP
OUT IF I'M NOT
WEARING THE
EARRINGS HE
GAVE ME.

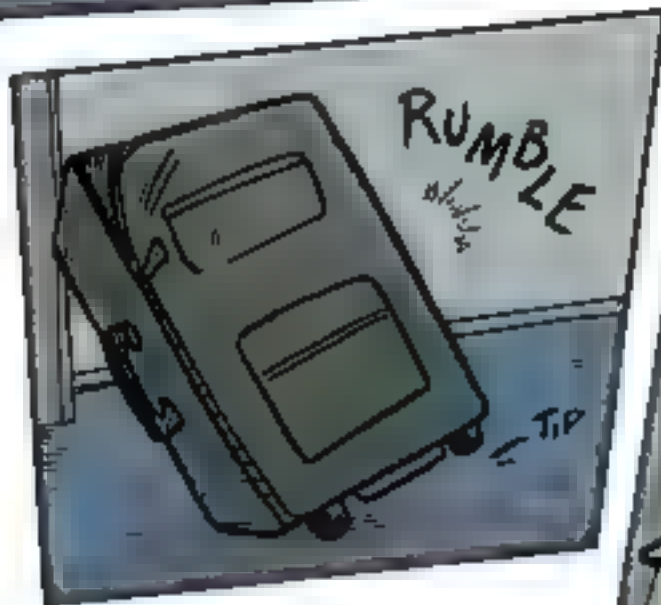
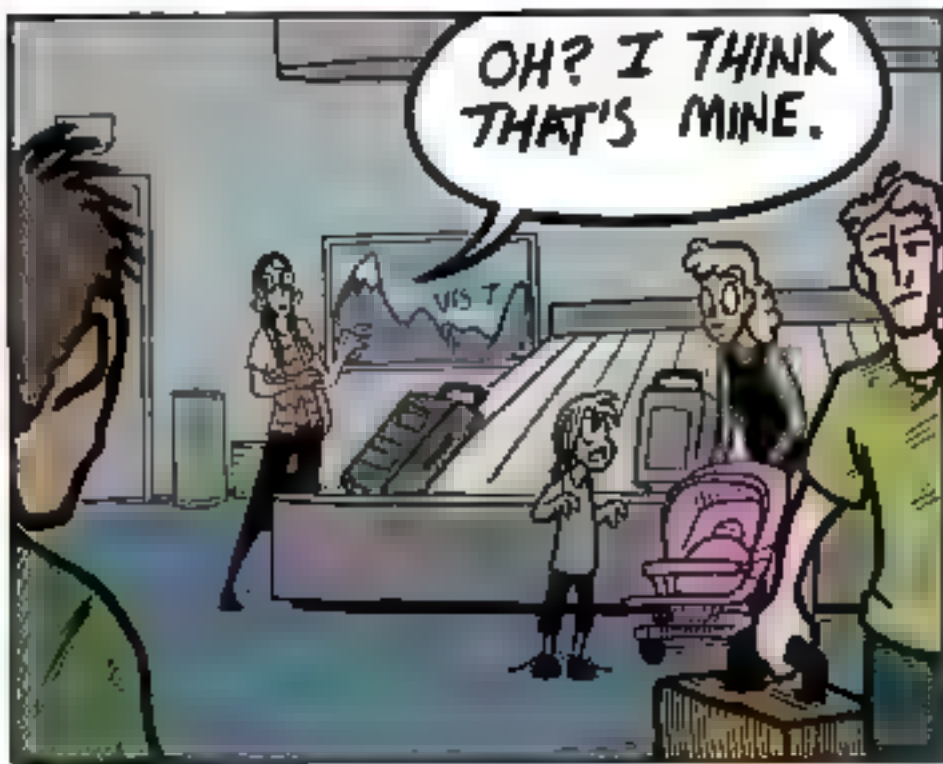


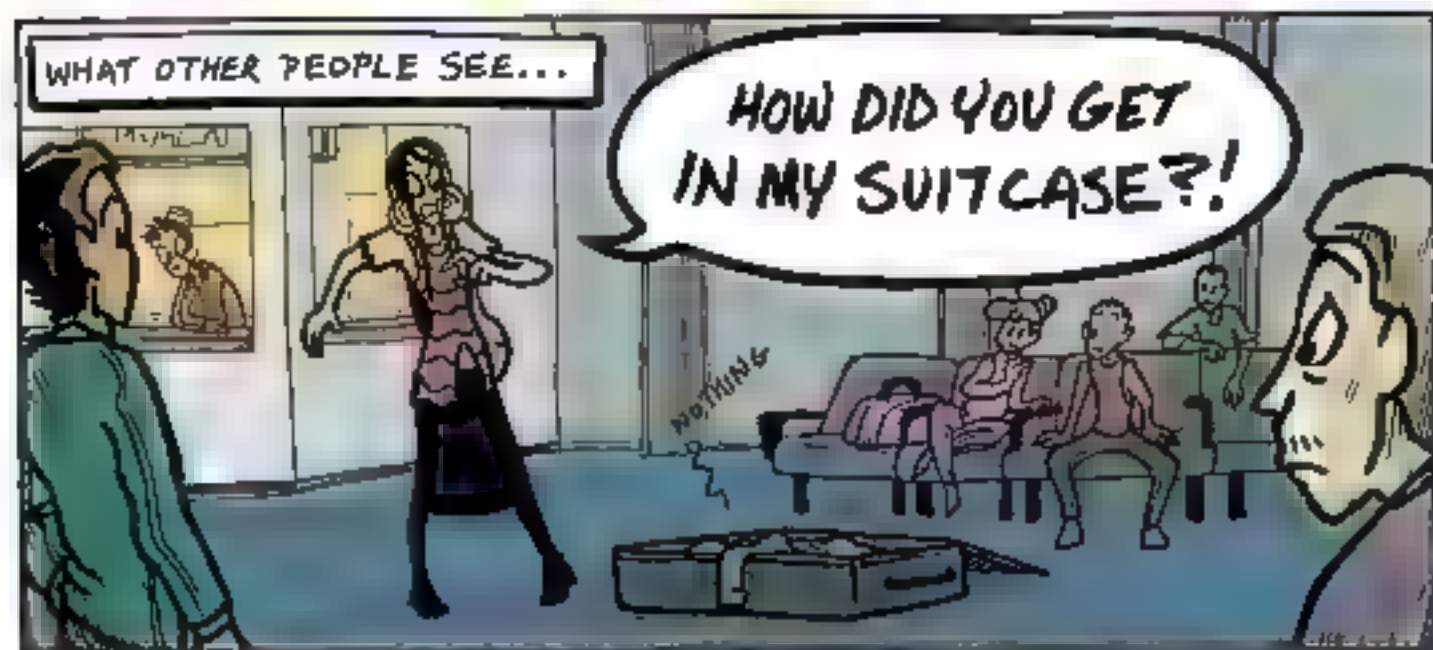
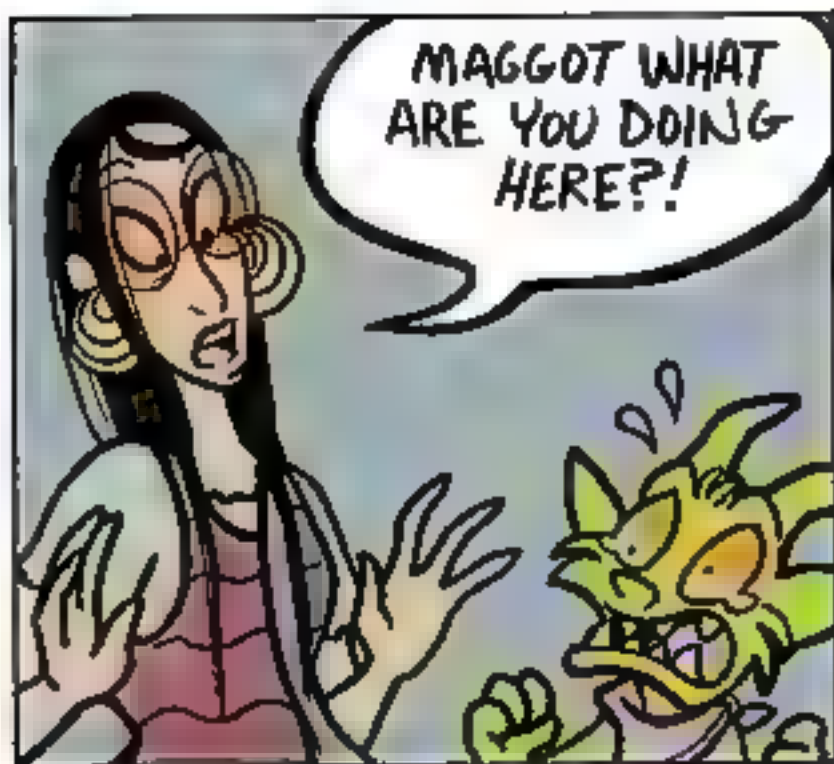
I'D BETTER
PUT THE
GLASSES
ON TOO.

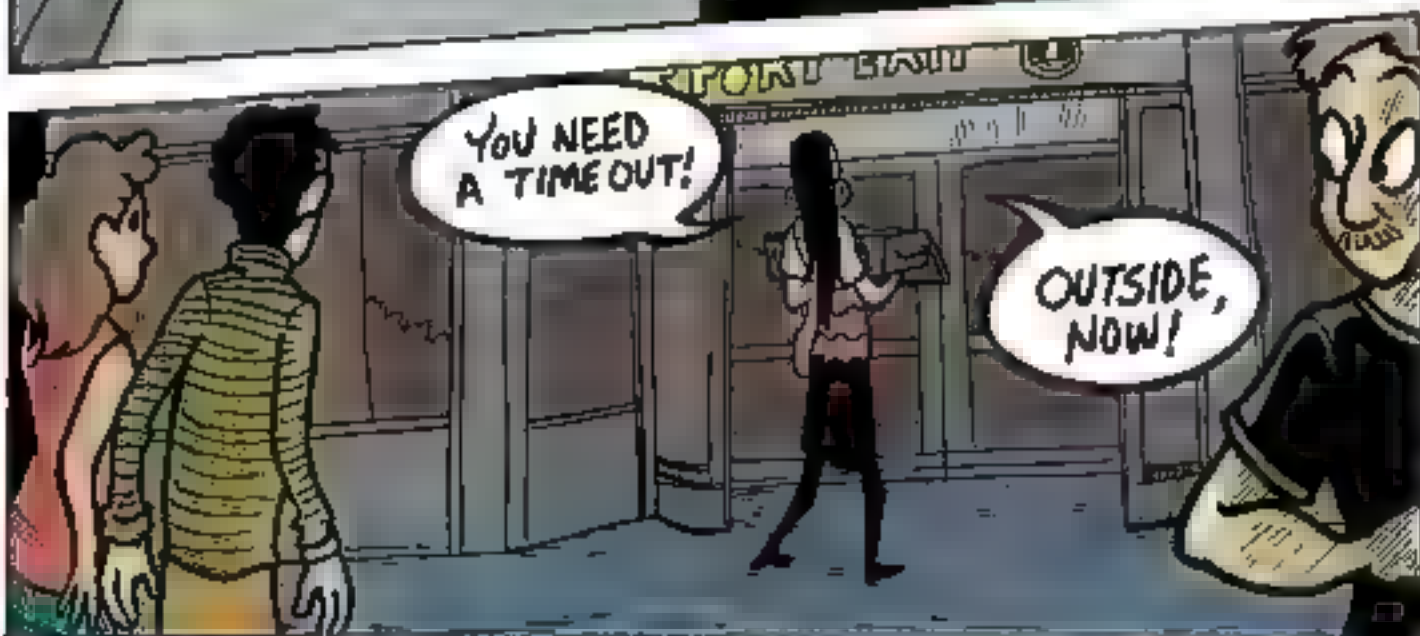
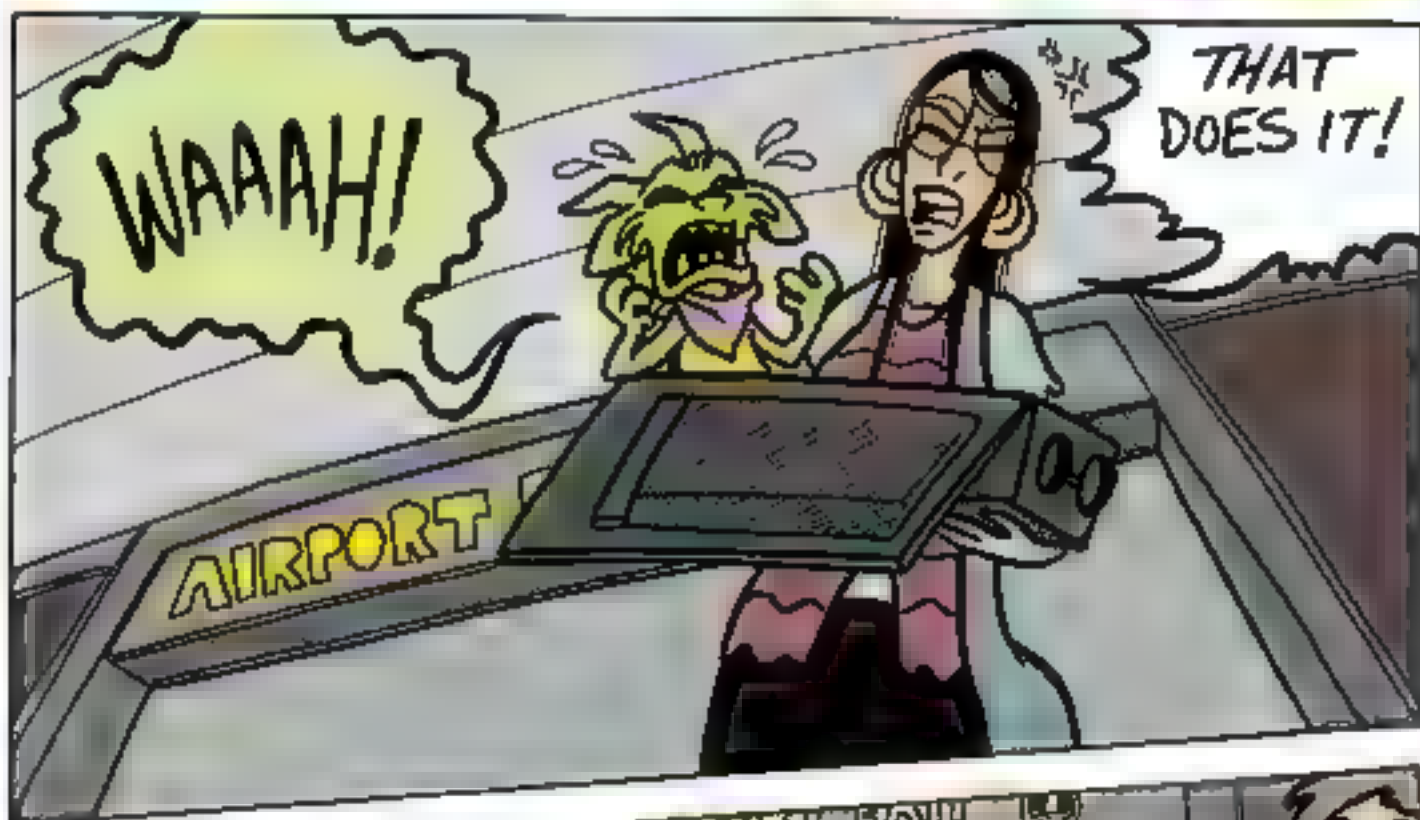
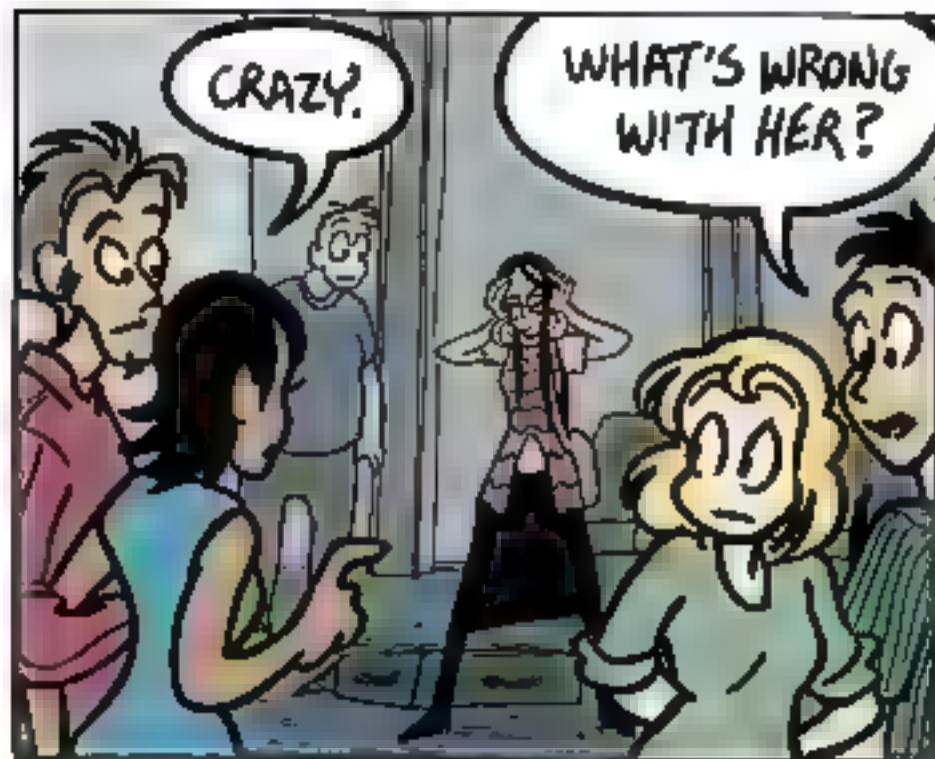


MOMMA! LOOKIT THE
LADY WITH THE STUPID
GLASSES!









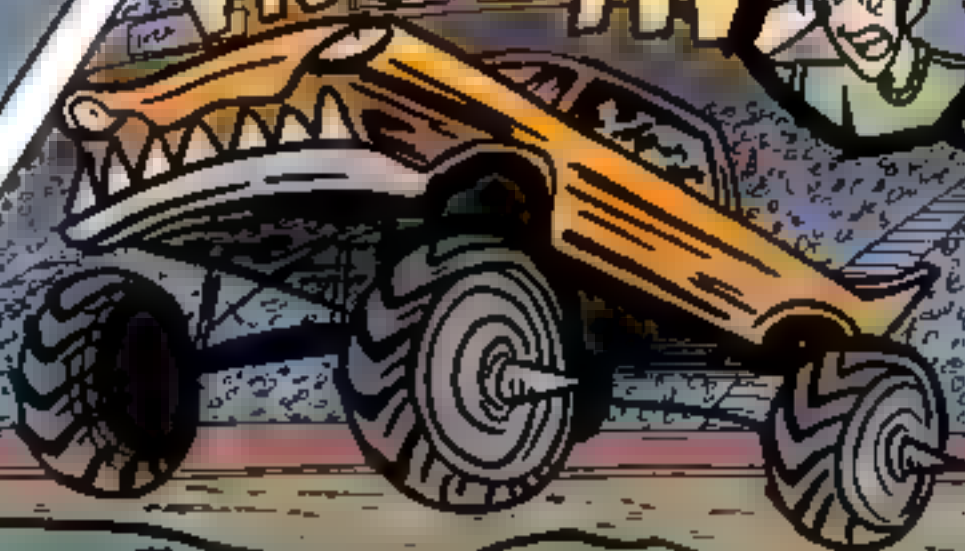
NANNA, YOU KNOW
I'M ALWAYS GLAD TO
SPEND THE DAY
WITH YOU.

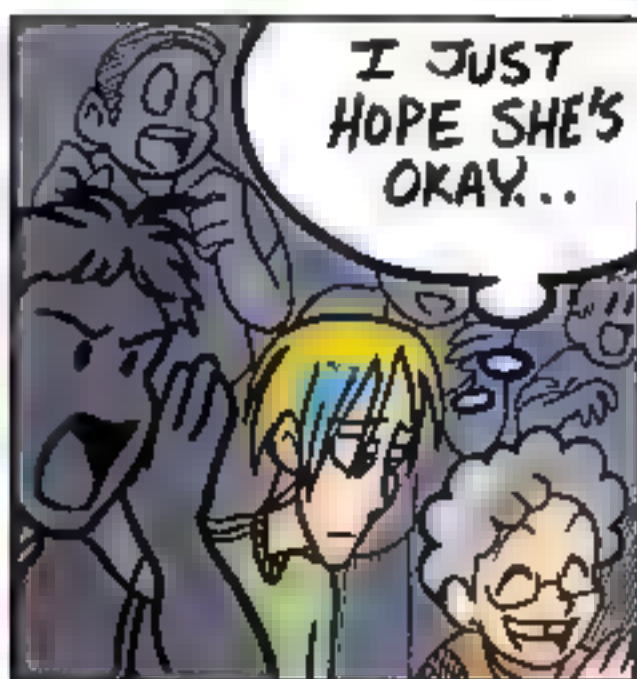
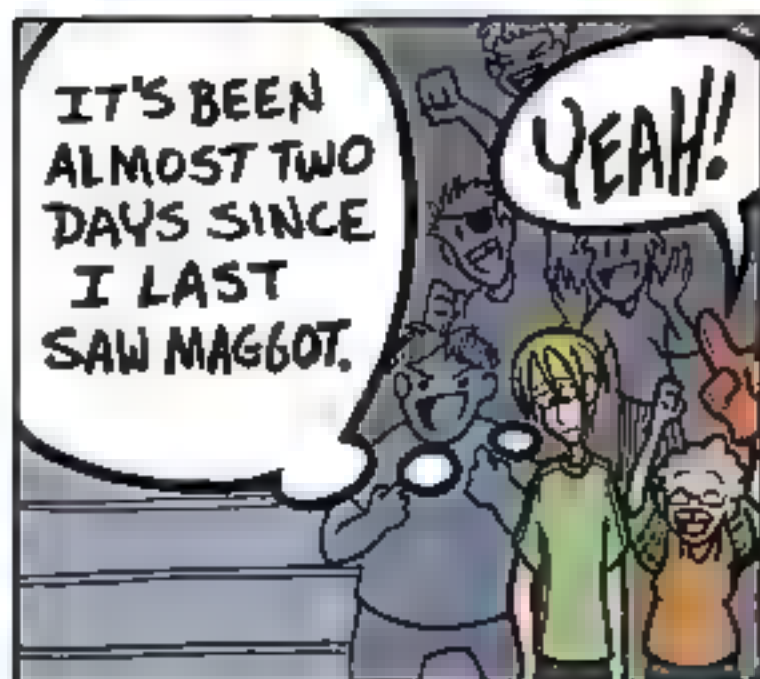
YOU KNOW
THAT.

THOUGH... SOMEHOW...

A MONSTER TRUCK SHOW
WAS NOT WHAT I IMAGINED
AS A SENIOR CLUB TRIP.

VROOOM

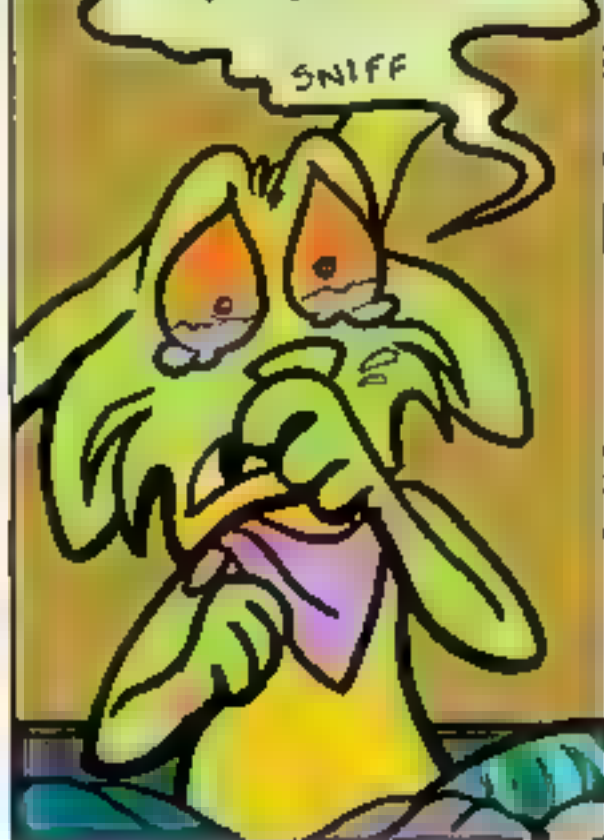




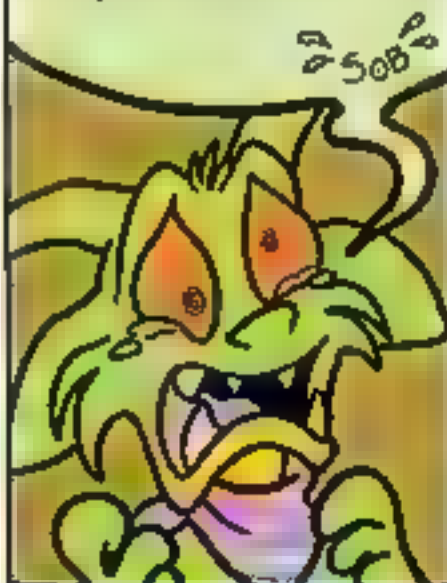
OKAY... NOW PLEASE CALM
DOWN ENOUGH TO TELL
ME WHAT YOU WERE DOING
IN MY SUITCASE.



JARED FELL OFF
THE ROOF AND—
I WENT TO FIND
Y-YOU...



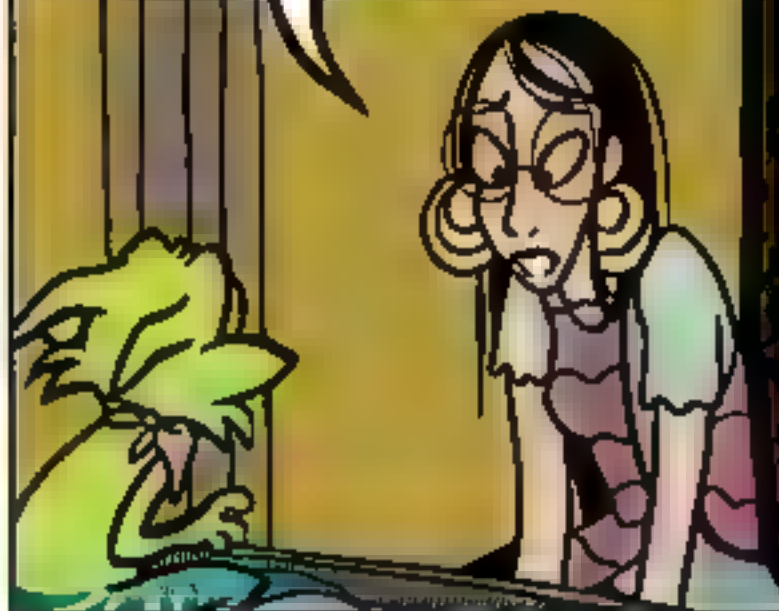
I WAS WAITING FOR
YOU ALL NIGHT
AND YOU CAME
AND LOCKED ME
IN THE SUITCASE!



AN- AND NOW
HE'S PROBABLY
DEAD!



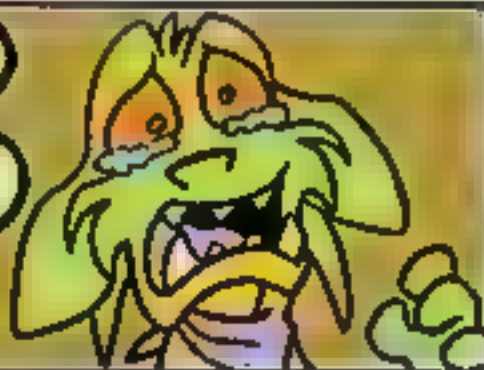
OH, MAGGOT... THAT
CAN'T BE TRUE.



I TALKED TO HIM
BEFORE I LEFT
FOR THE AIRPORT.



BUT-
BUT



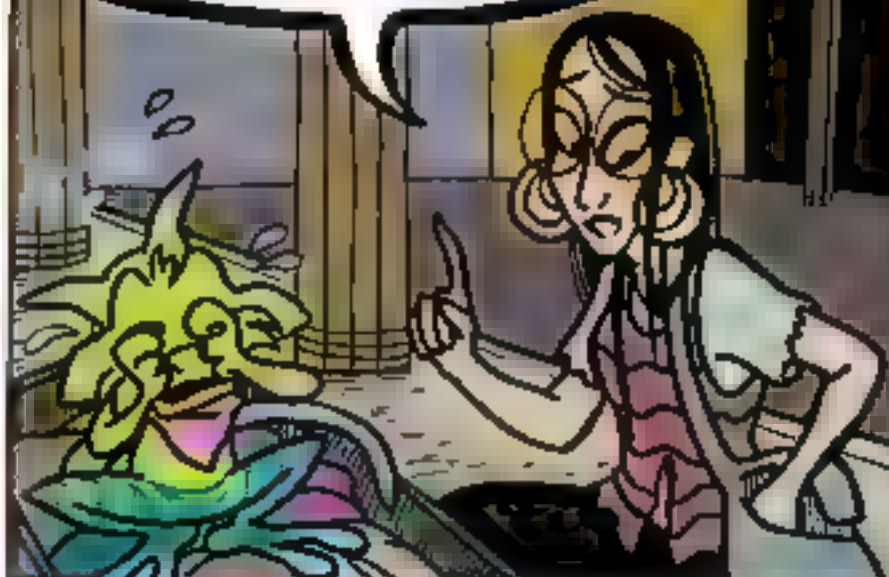
JARED!



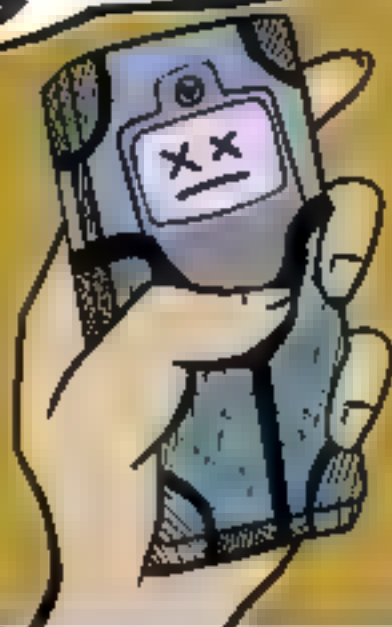
THIS IS NOT
WORKING.



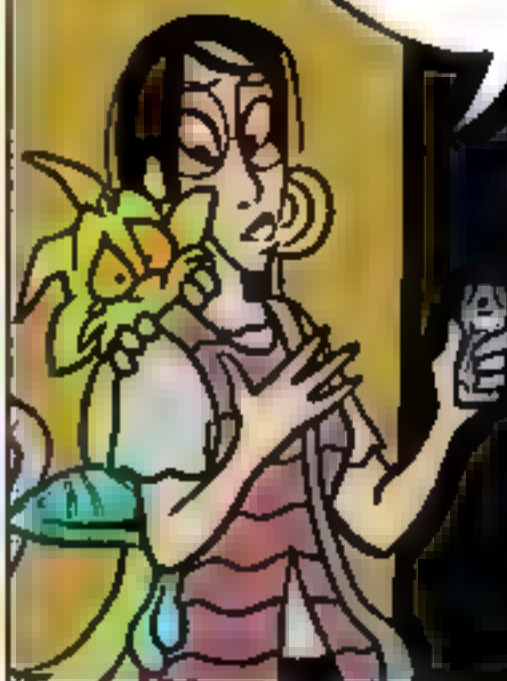
OH! I HAVE HIS PHONE
NUMBER! I'LL CALL HIM!



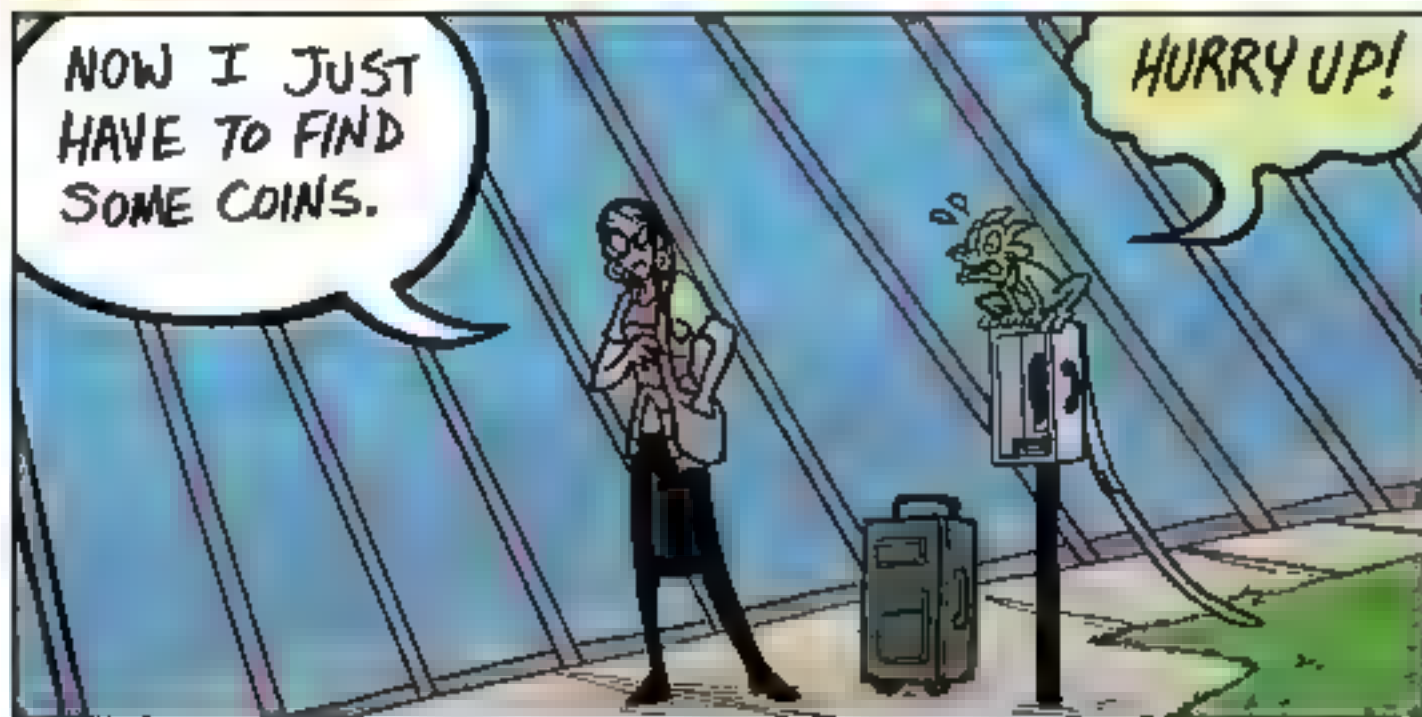
GREAT...
NO RECEPTION...



LET'S FIND
A PAYPHONE.



NOW I JUST
HAVE TO FIND
SOME COINS.



HURRY UP!

I'M CALLING
HIM NOW.

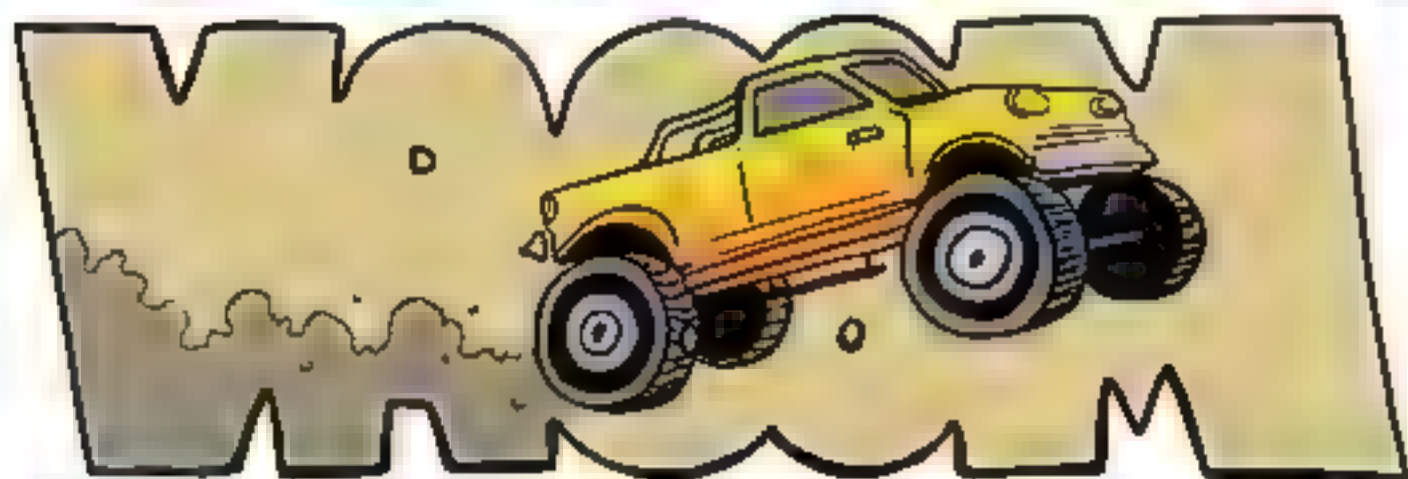
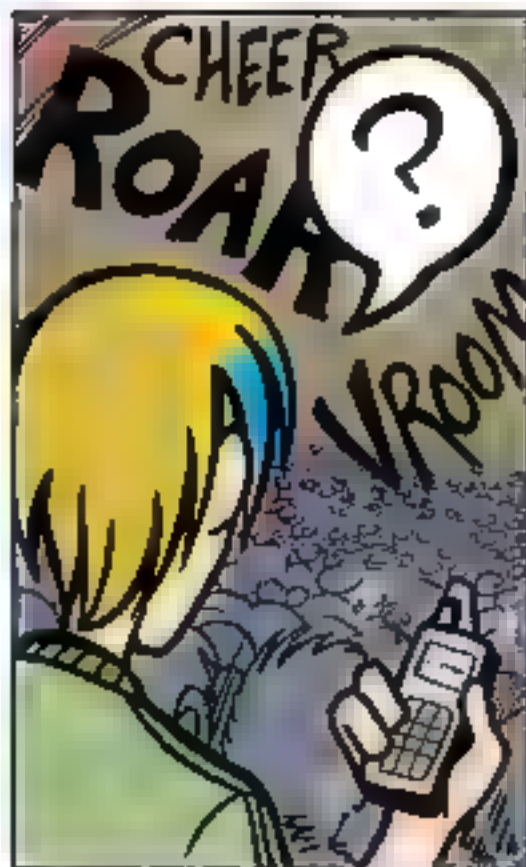
CALM
DOWN.

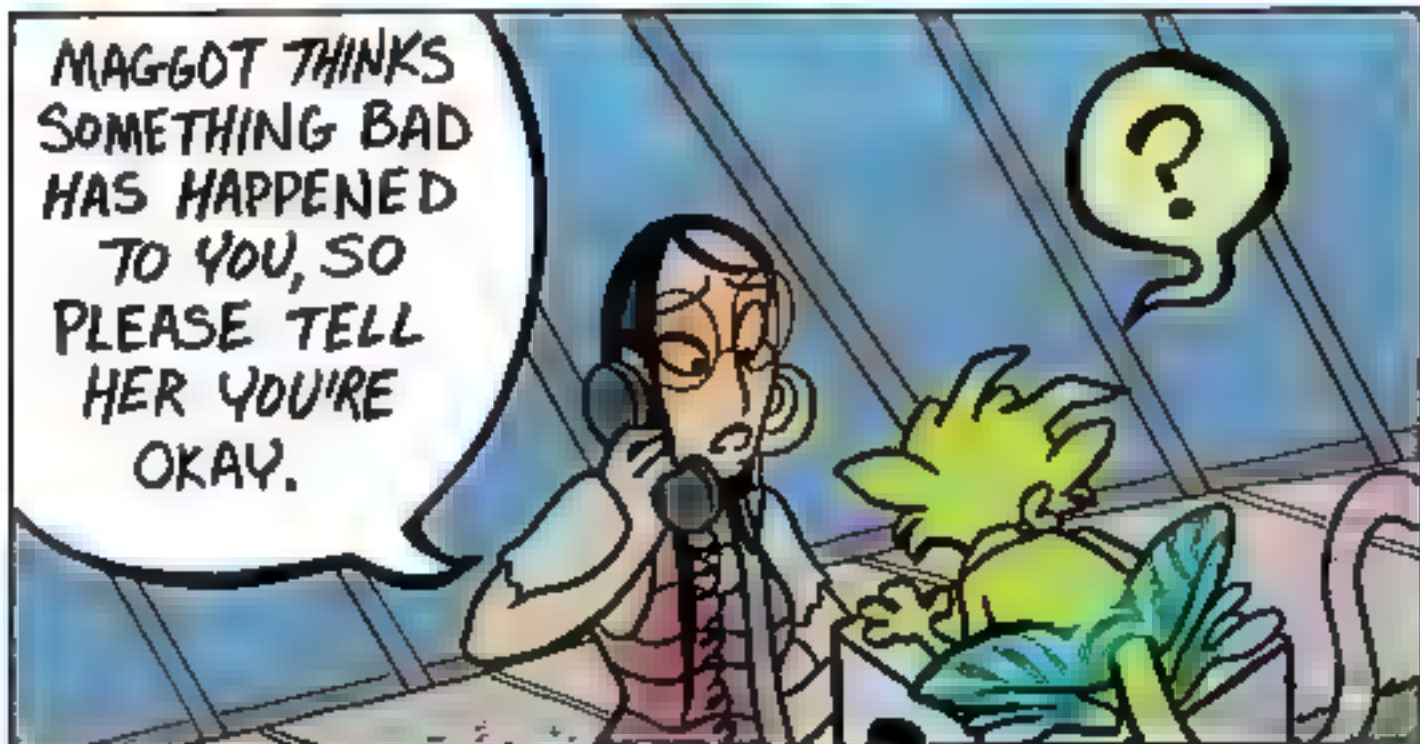


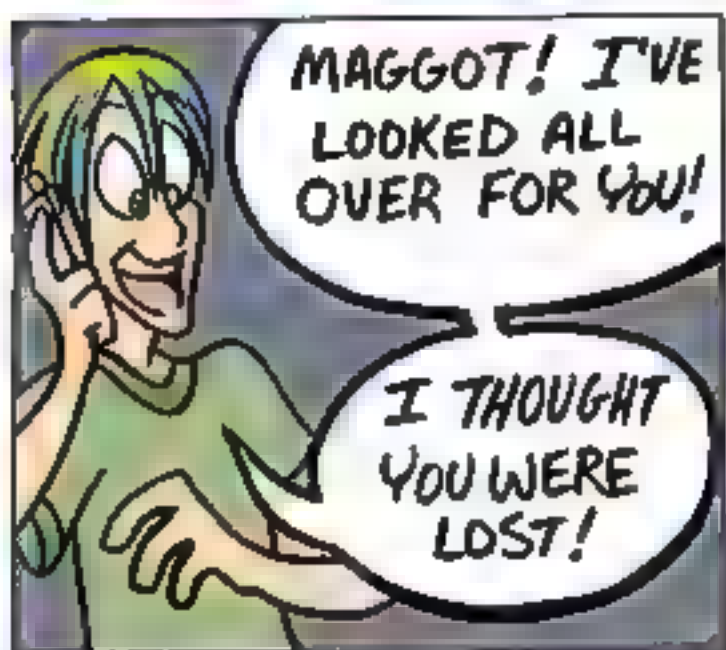
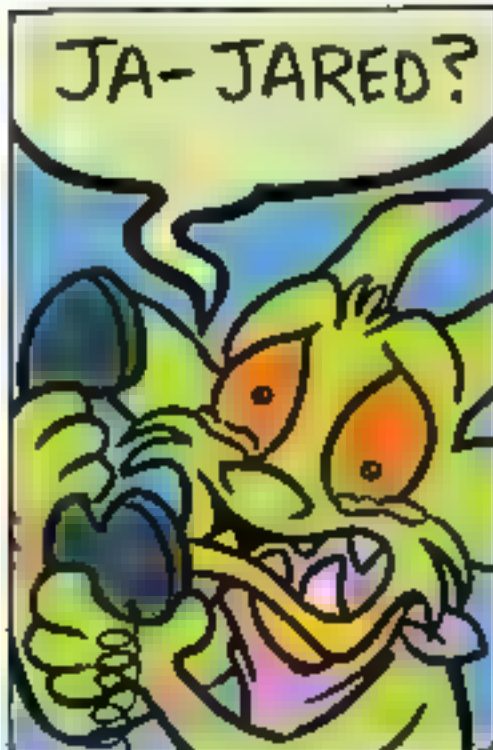
SNIFFLE

WUAH..









SEVERAL MINUTES (AND COINS) LATER.



BUT... I WANNA
GO HOME.



YOU'LL BE
GOING HOME IN
A FEW DAYS.



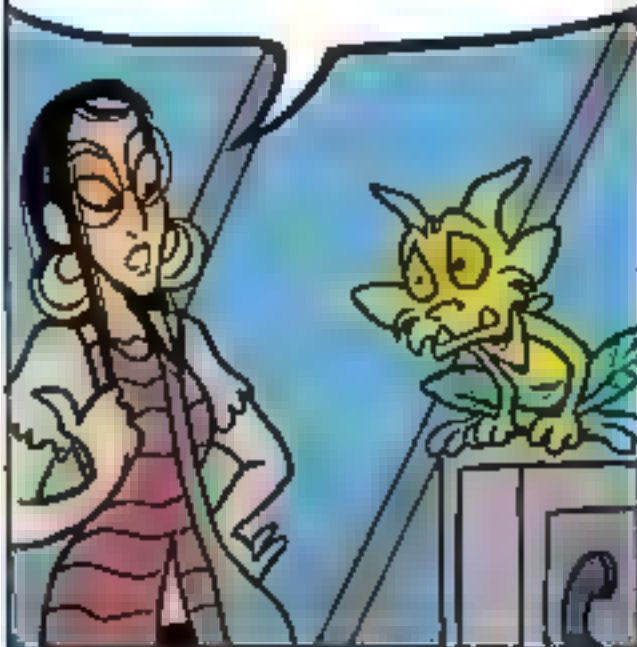
HARPER WILL
TAKE CARE
OF YOU
'TIL THEN.



OKAY...
....
BYE.



WELL, COME ON.
WE NEED TO CATCH A BUS.



HOW ARE WE GONNA
DO THAT?



IT WON'T
BE TOO HARD.
HEH.



WILL WE NEED
A NET?

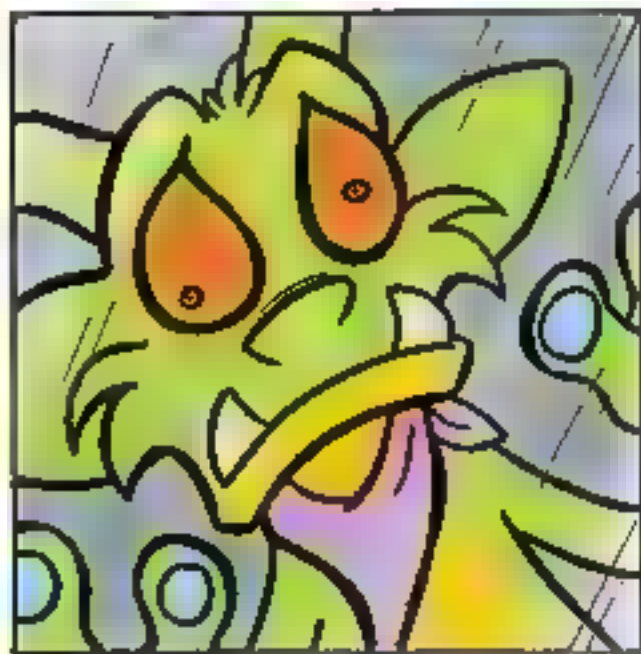
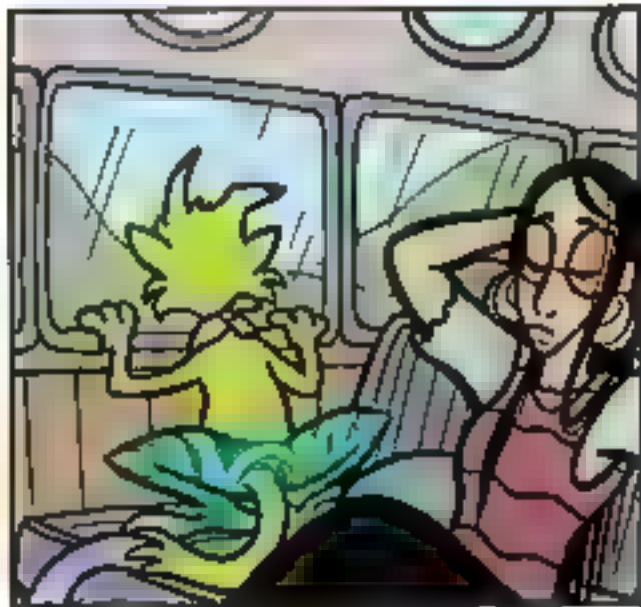
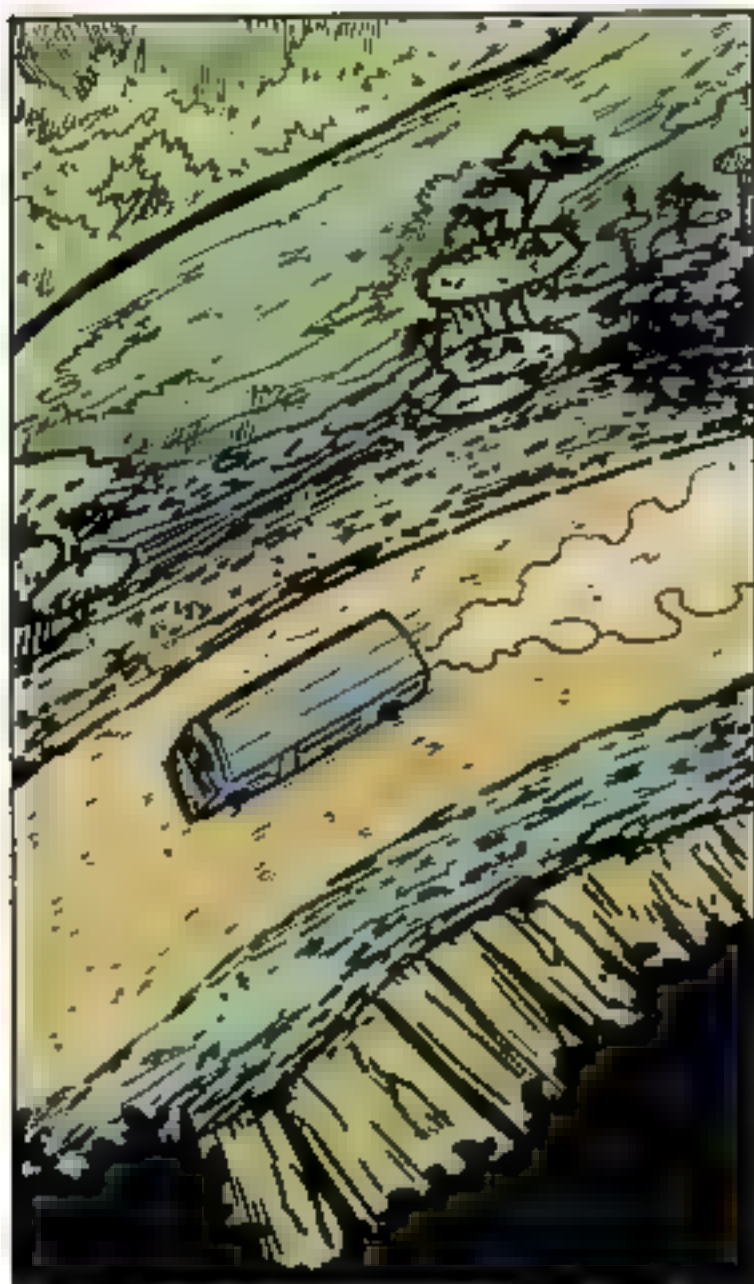
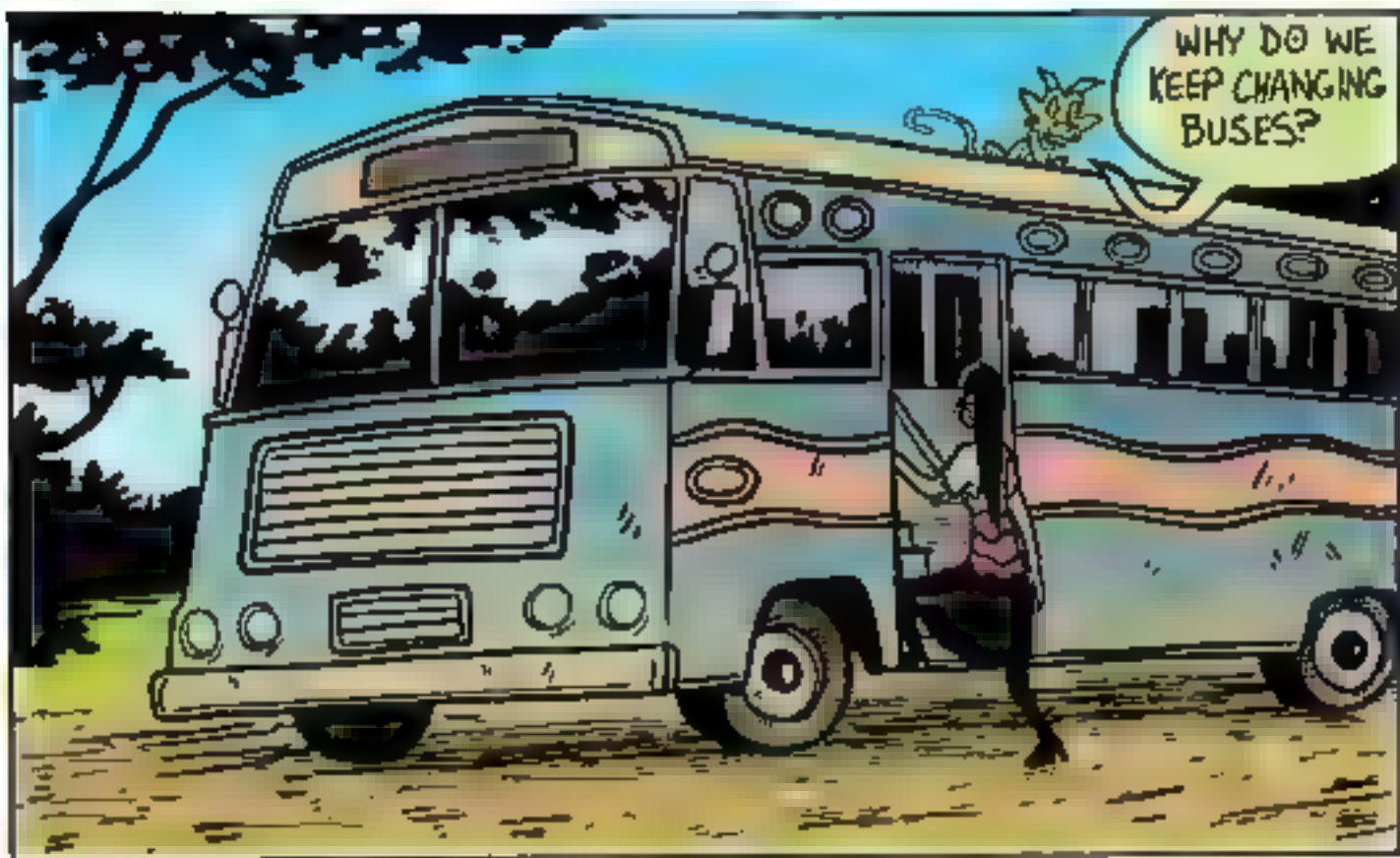


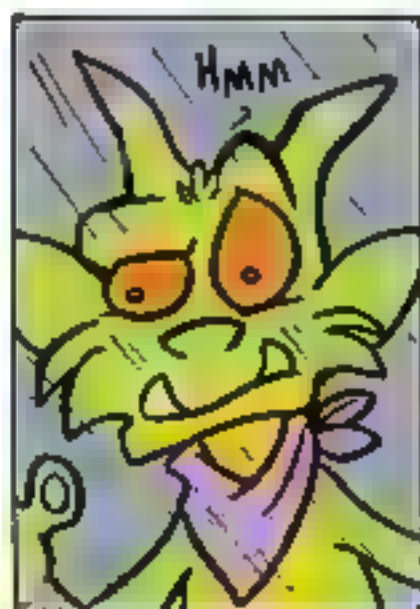
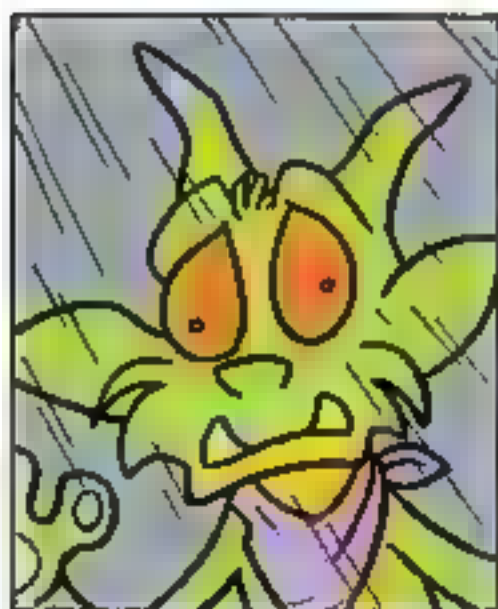
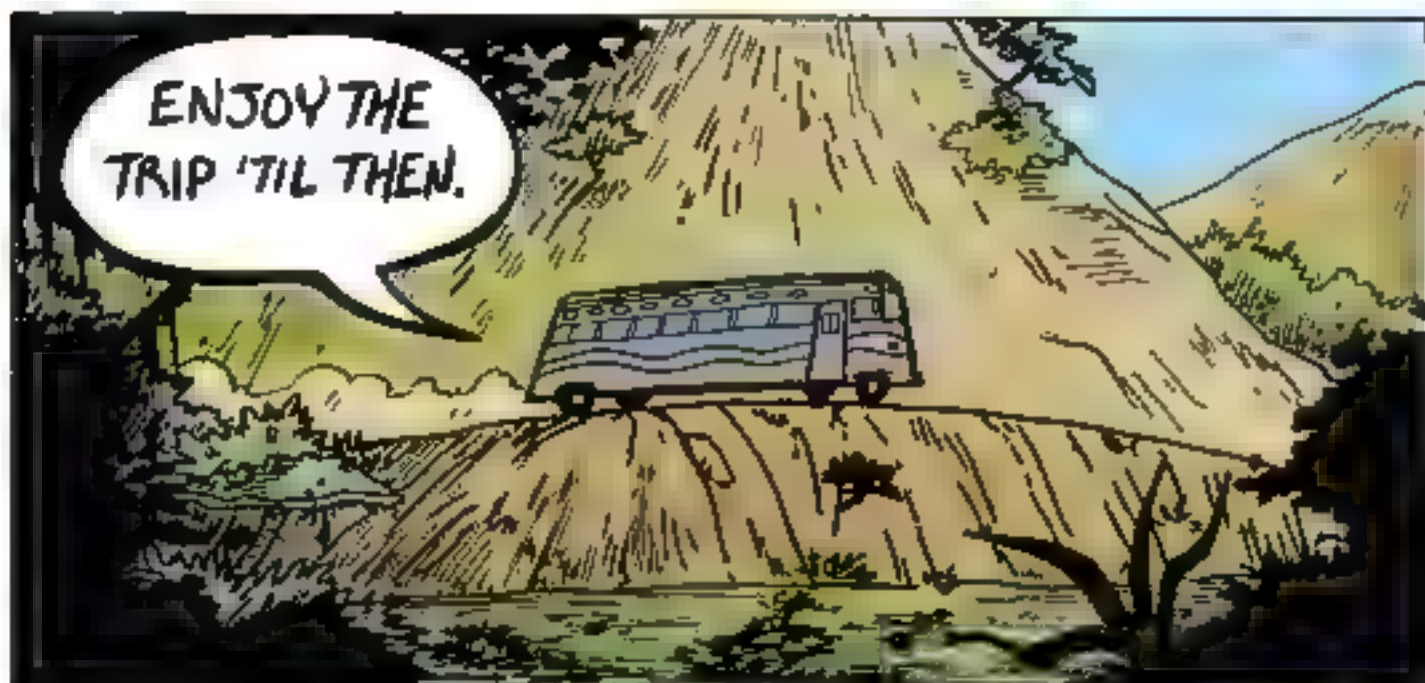
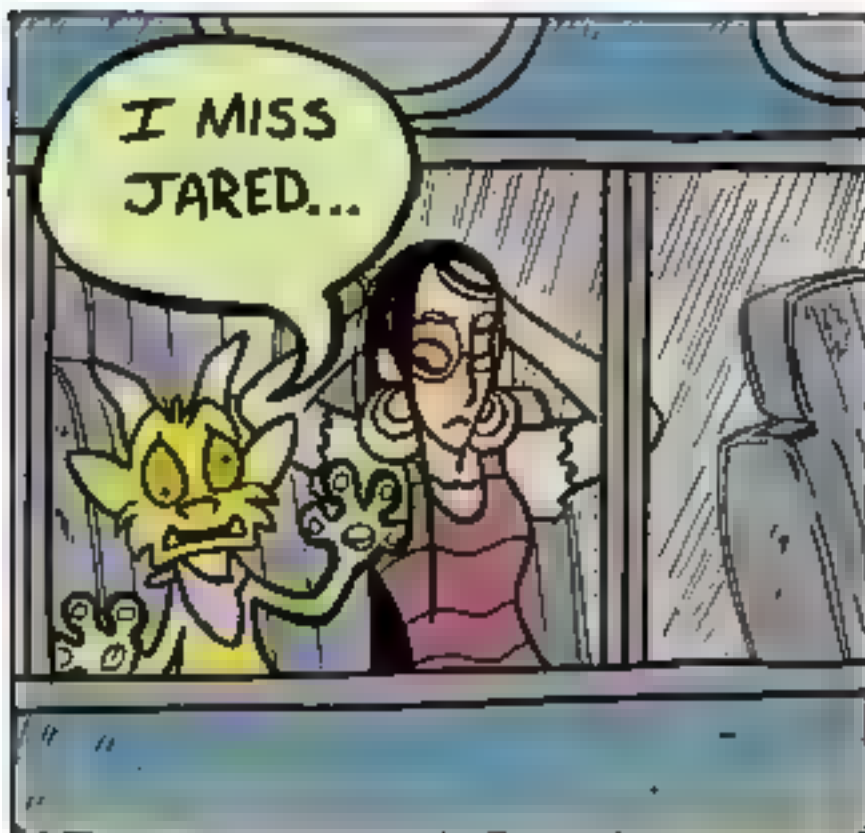
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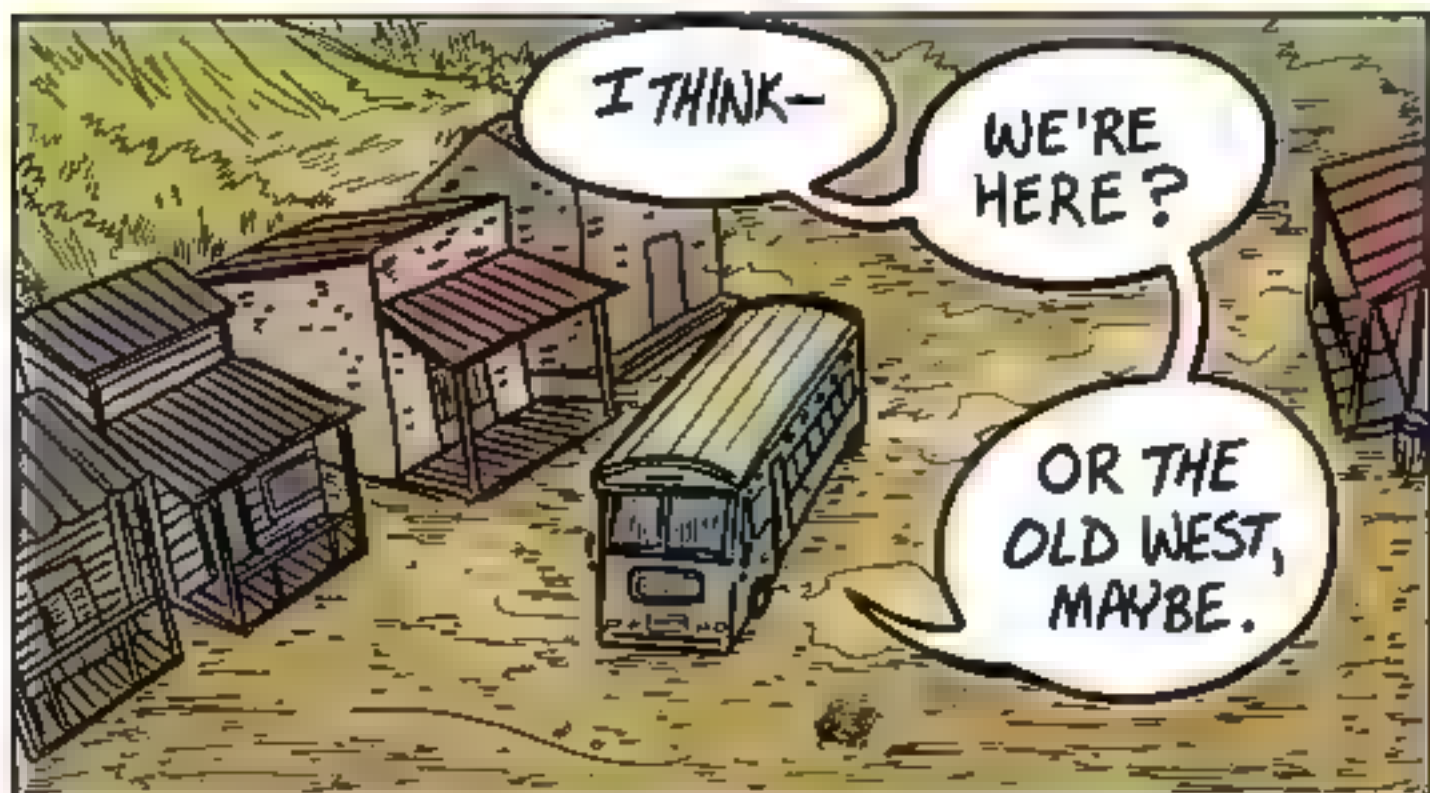
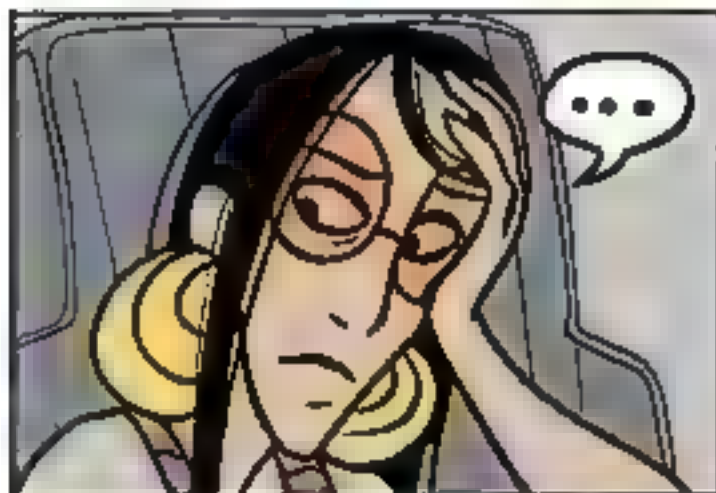
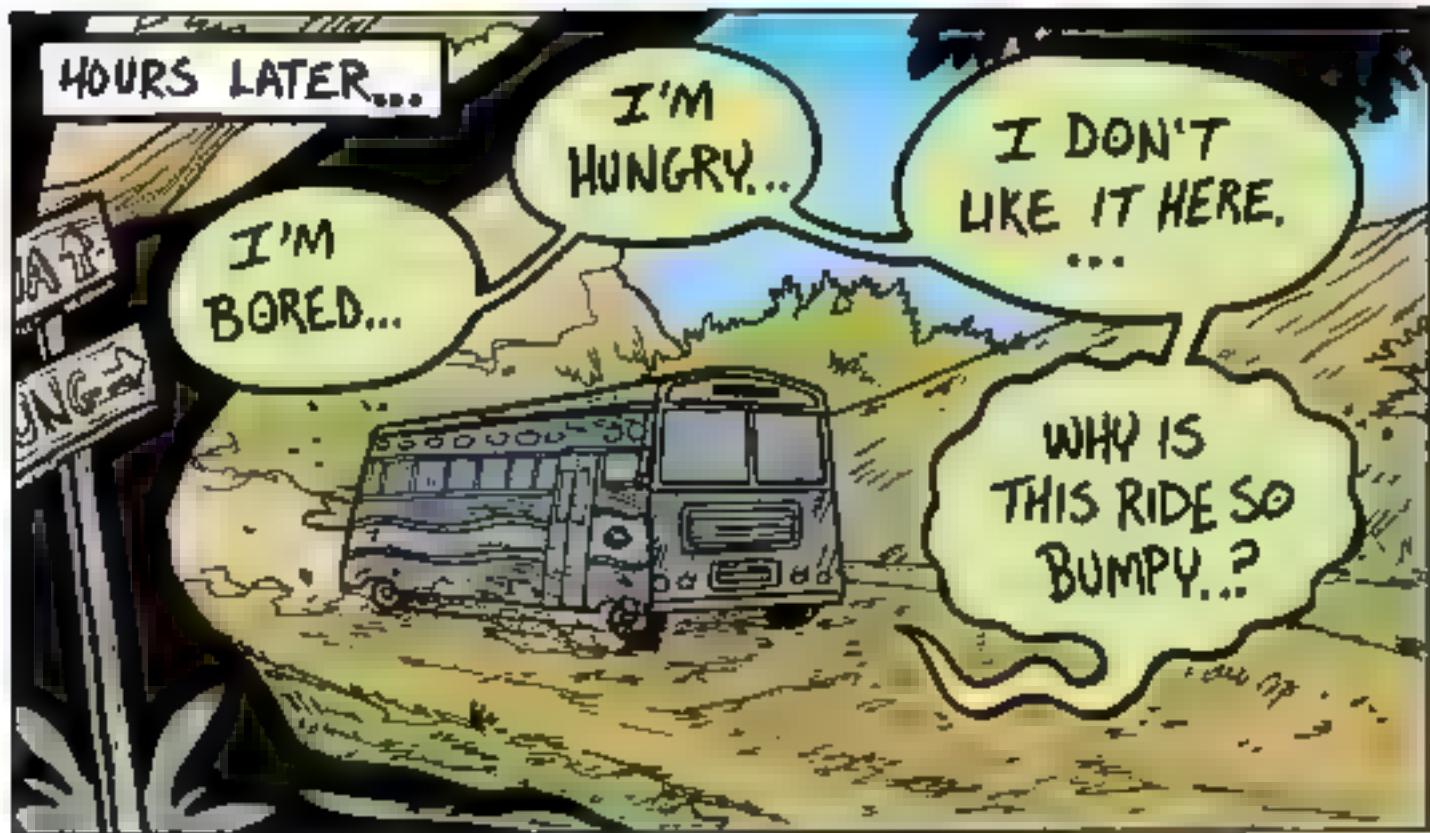
NO.

WE
WON'T.











I'M JUST SAYING, TELL ME
WHERE THE ARTIFACT IS,
GIVE IT UP, AND YOU CAN GO.

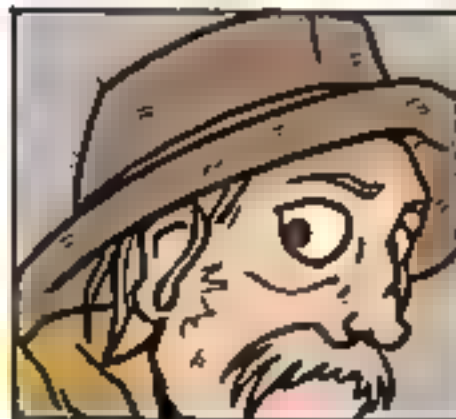
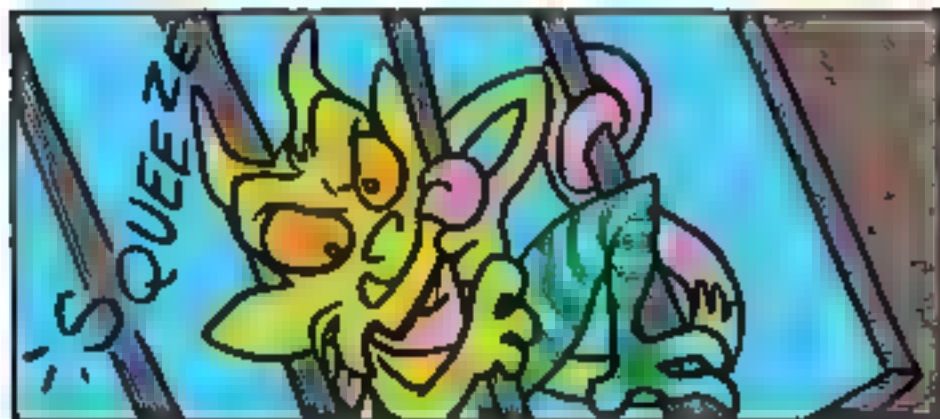
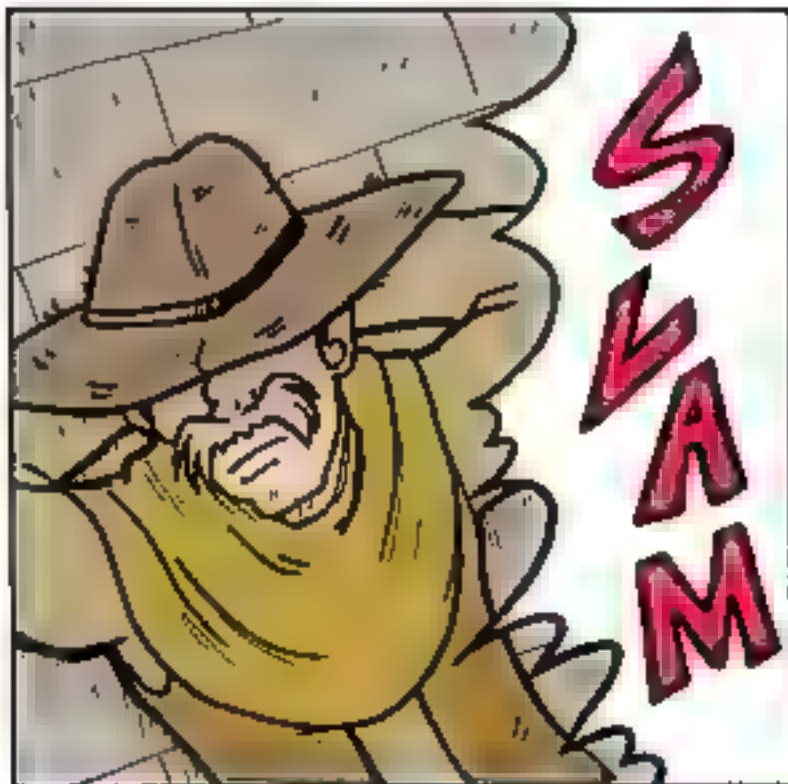
HMPH.

THAT'S A FAIR
DEAL IN YOUR
POSITION.

I'M JUST
SAYING... IF I
DON'T HAVE IT,
I DON'T HAVE IT.

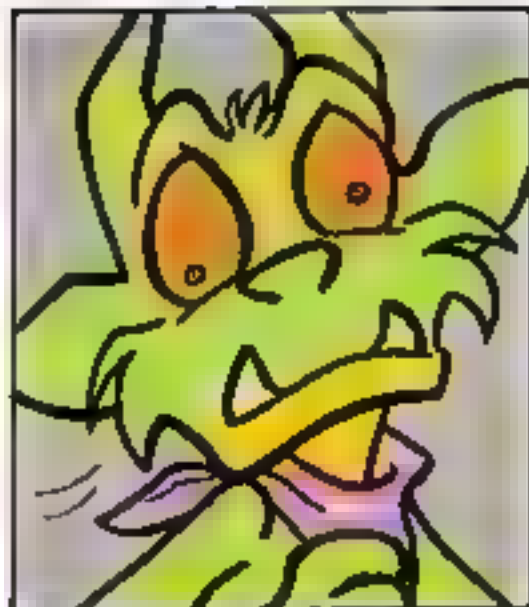
...

FINE THEN. YOU CAN ROT IN
THERE, OLD MAN.



YOU?

ARE YOU A
FROGOBLIM?



ARE YOU TALKING
TO ME?



YES.



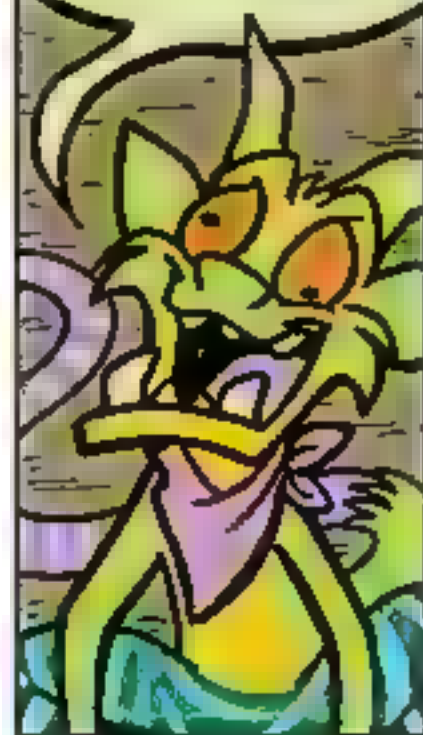
YOU CAN SEE
ME?

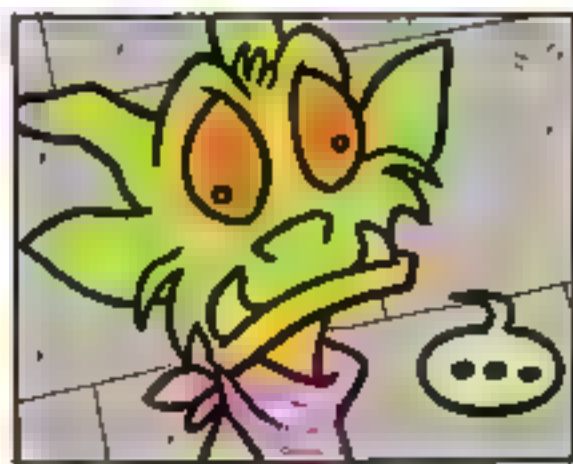
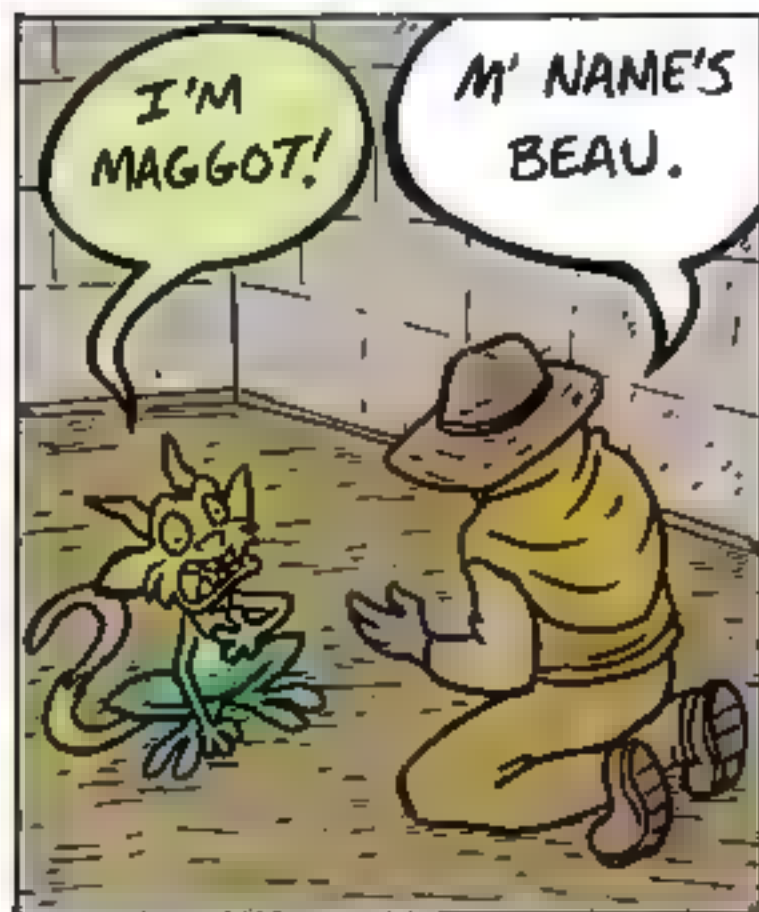


YES.



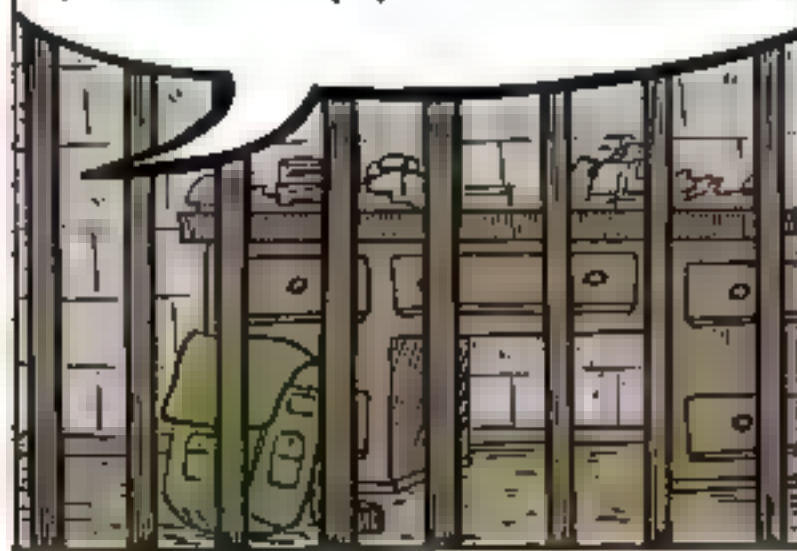
COOL
BEANS!



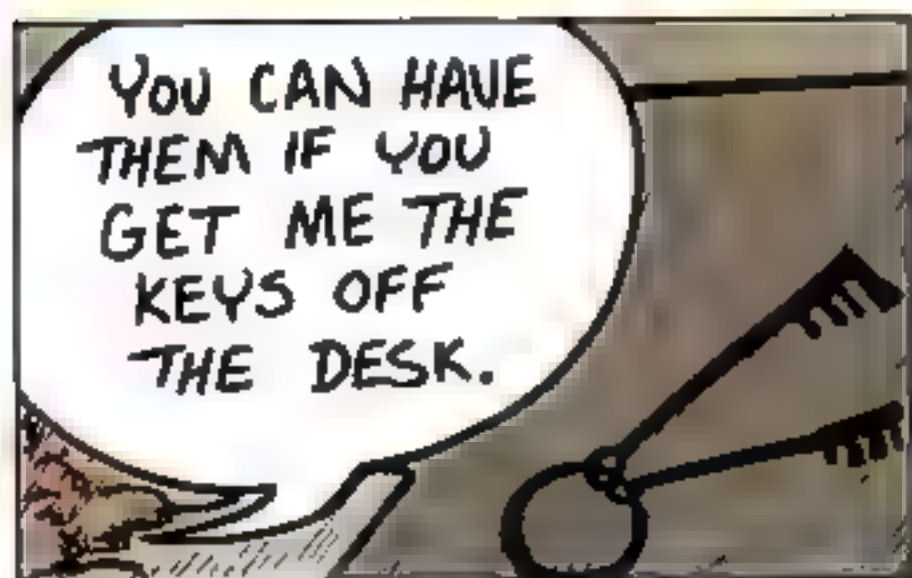




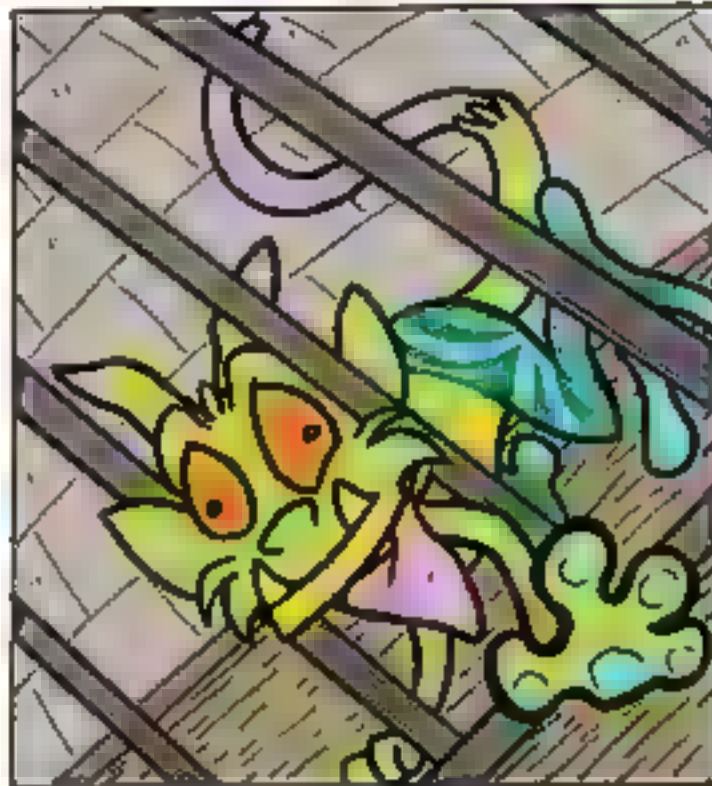
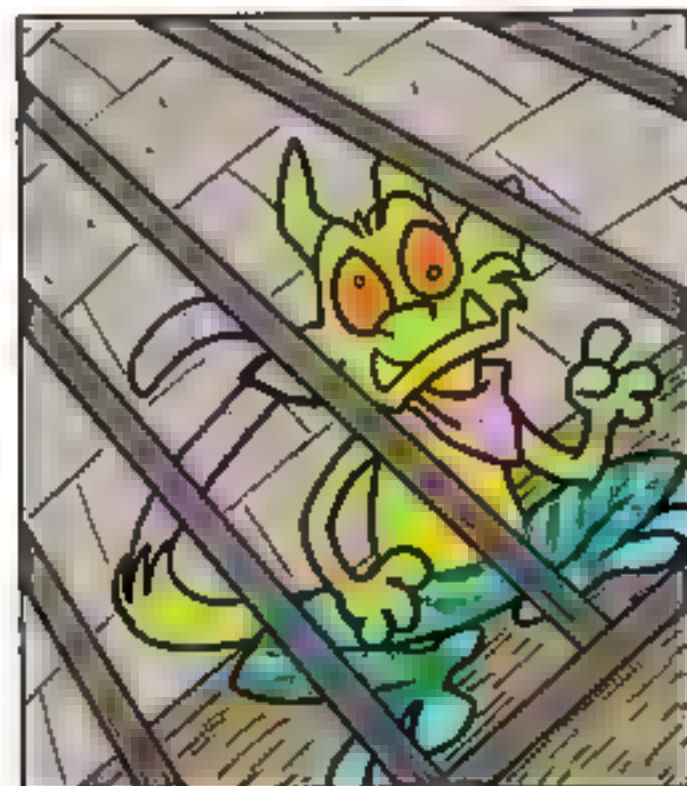
WELL, THERE ARE SOME
KAMPING IN MY BACK-
PACK NEXT TO THE DESK

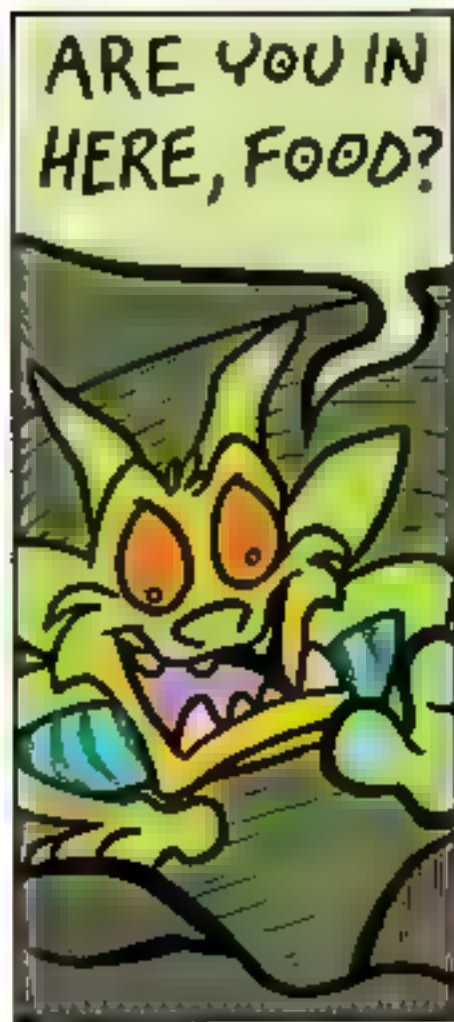


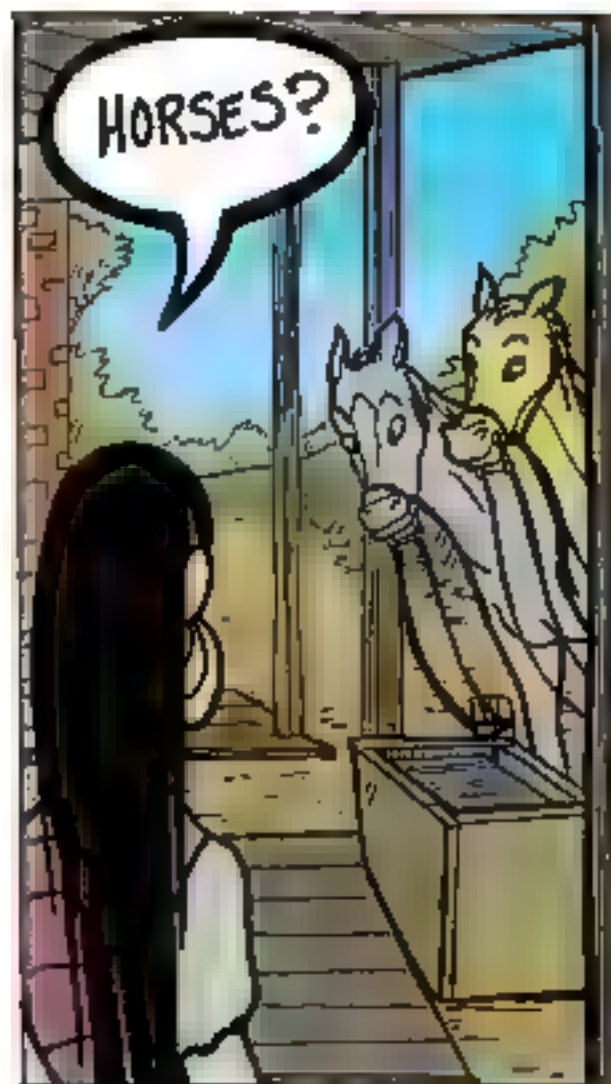
YOU CAN HAVE
THEM IF YOU
GET ME THE
KEYS OFF
THE DESK.



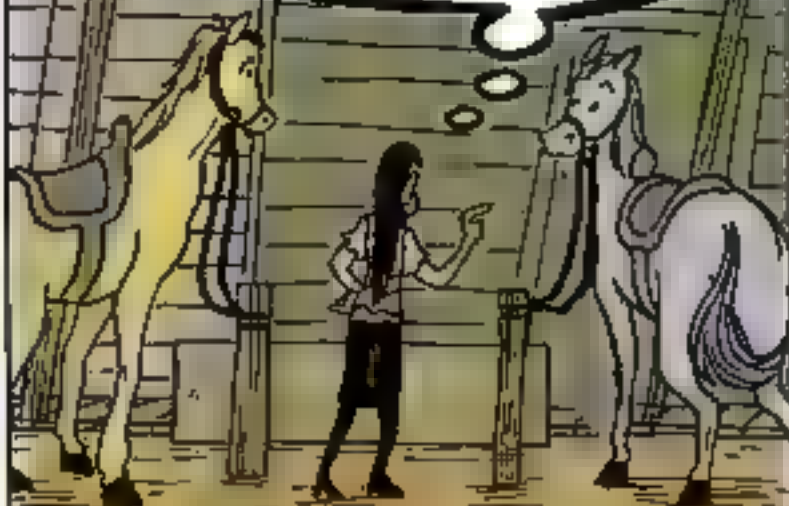
OKAY!



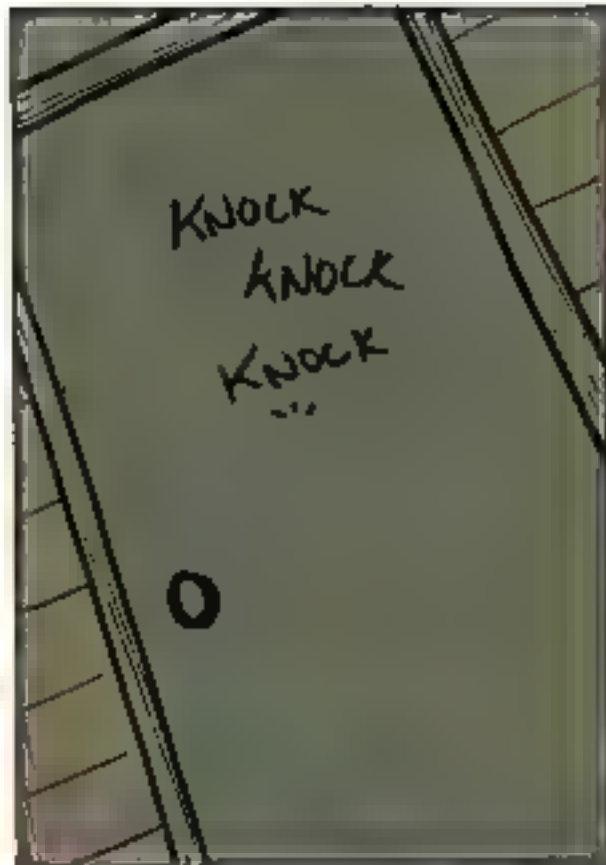




MAYBE WHOEVER
OWNS THESE HORSES
LIVES THERE?



KNOCK
KNOCK
KNOCK



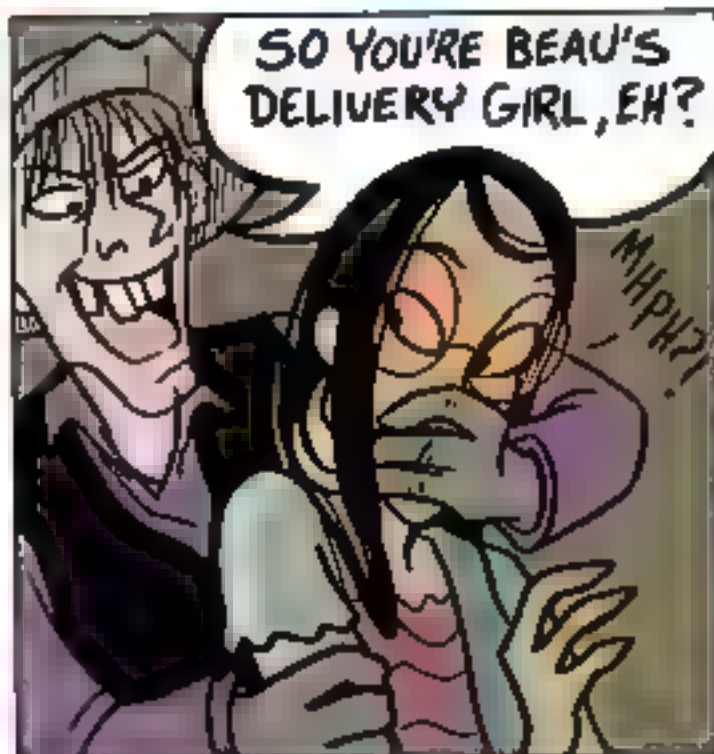
HELLO?



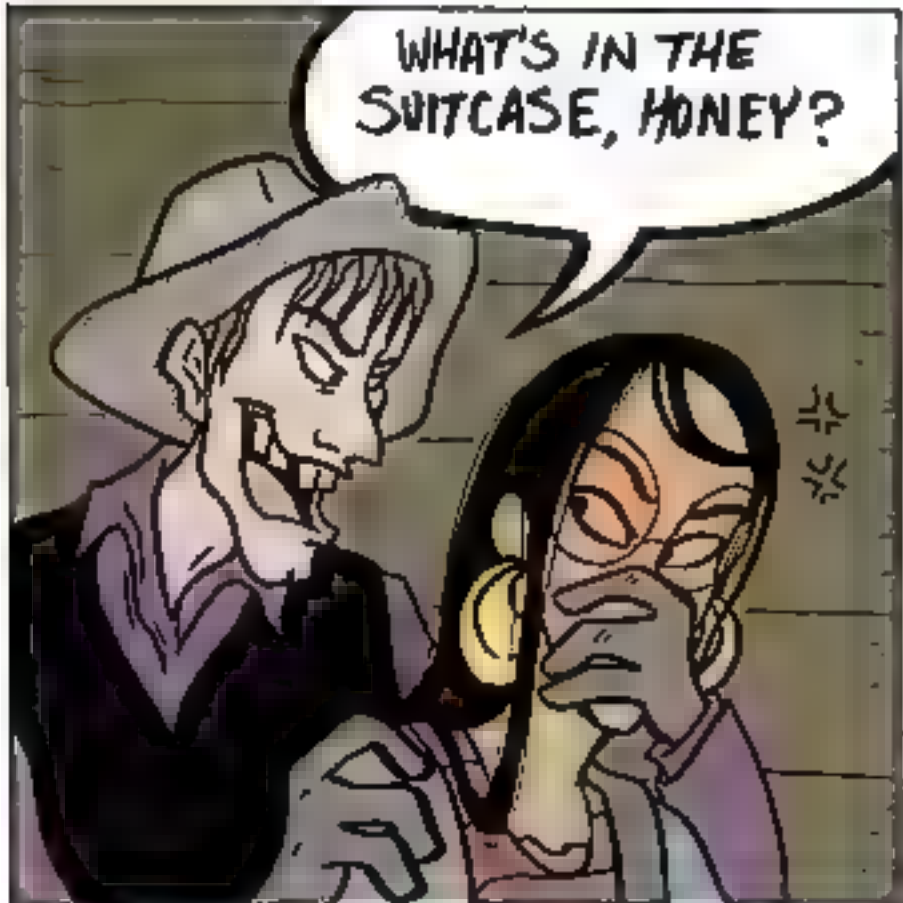
EXCUSE
ME... IS ANYONE
HOME?



SO YOU'RE BEAU'S
DELIVERY GIRL, EH?



WHAT'S IN THE
SUITCASE, HONEY?



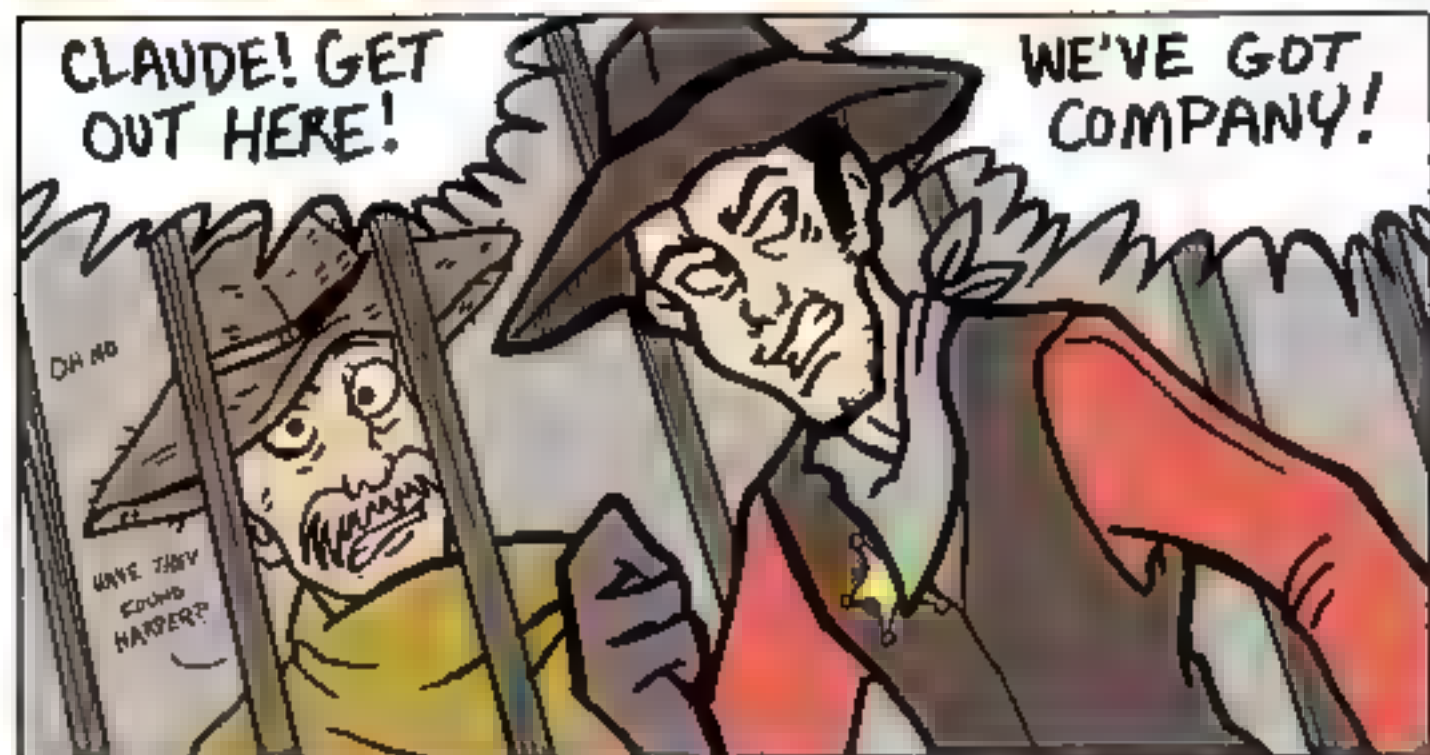
THAT'S NO WAY
TO TREAT A LADY!



JEKK!



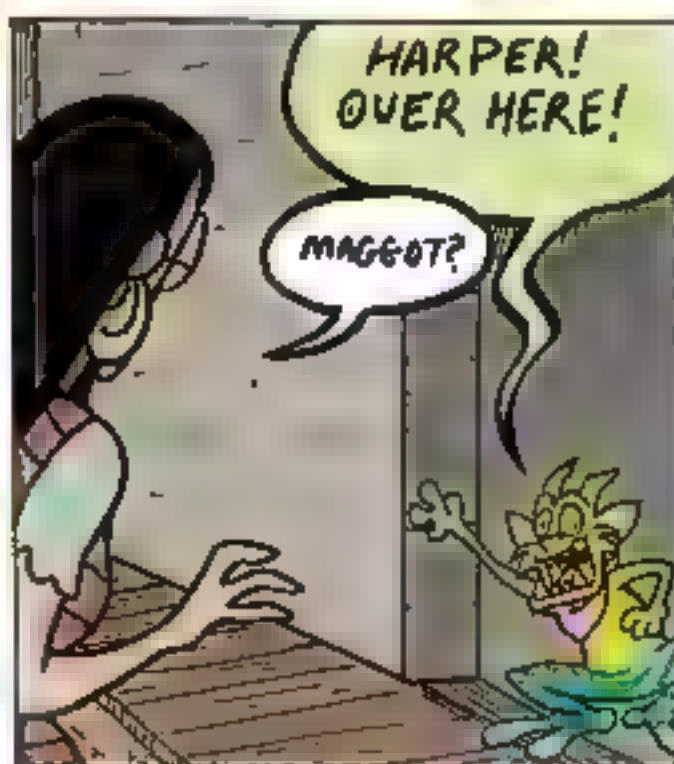
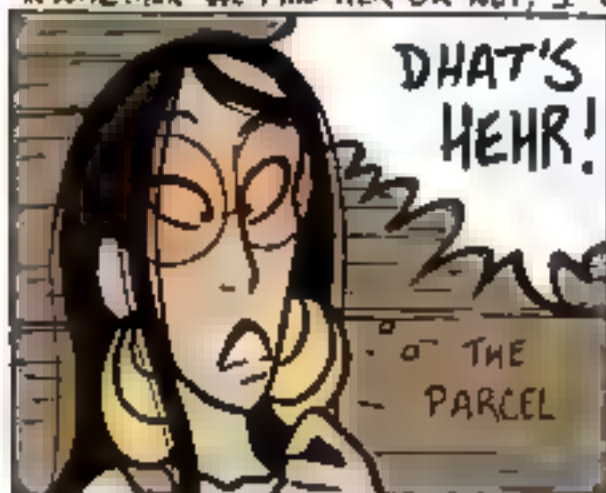


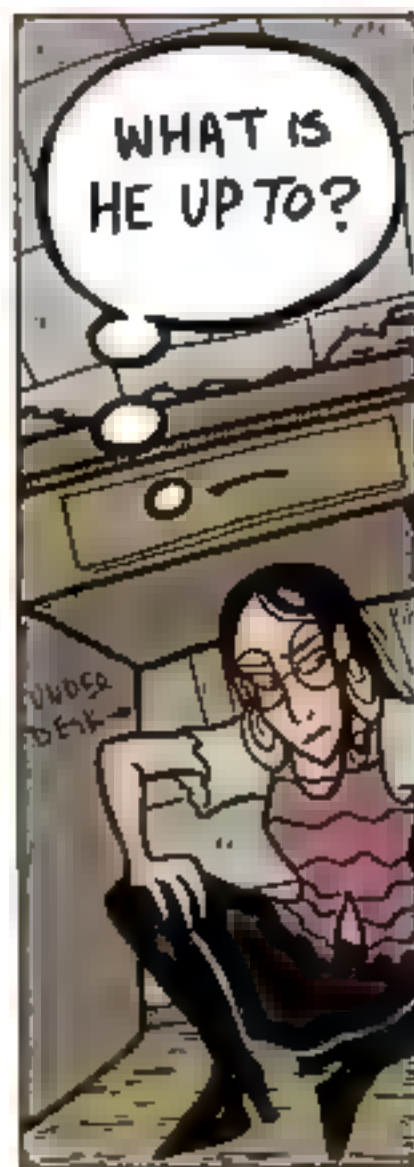
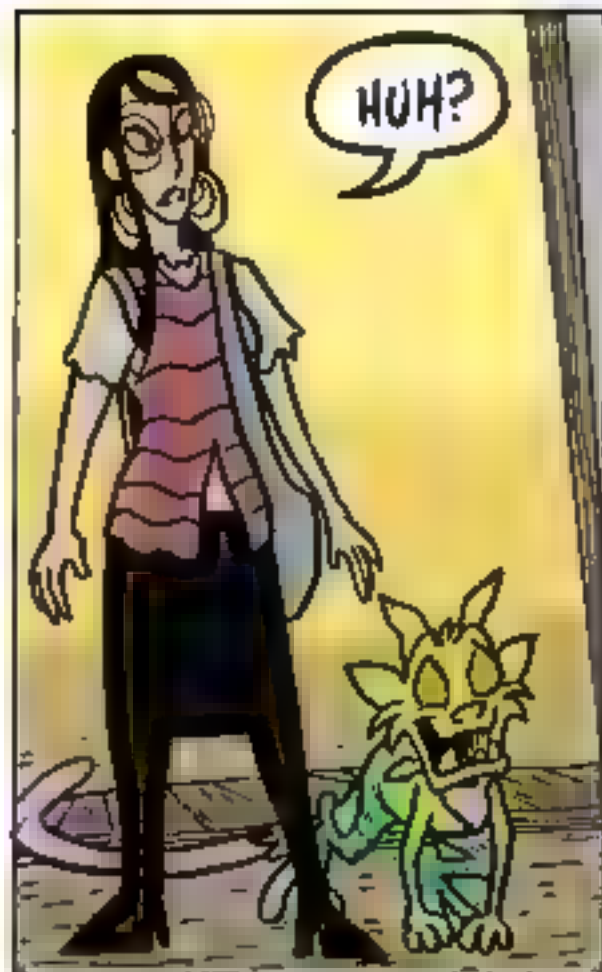
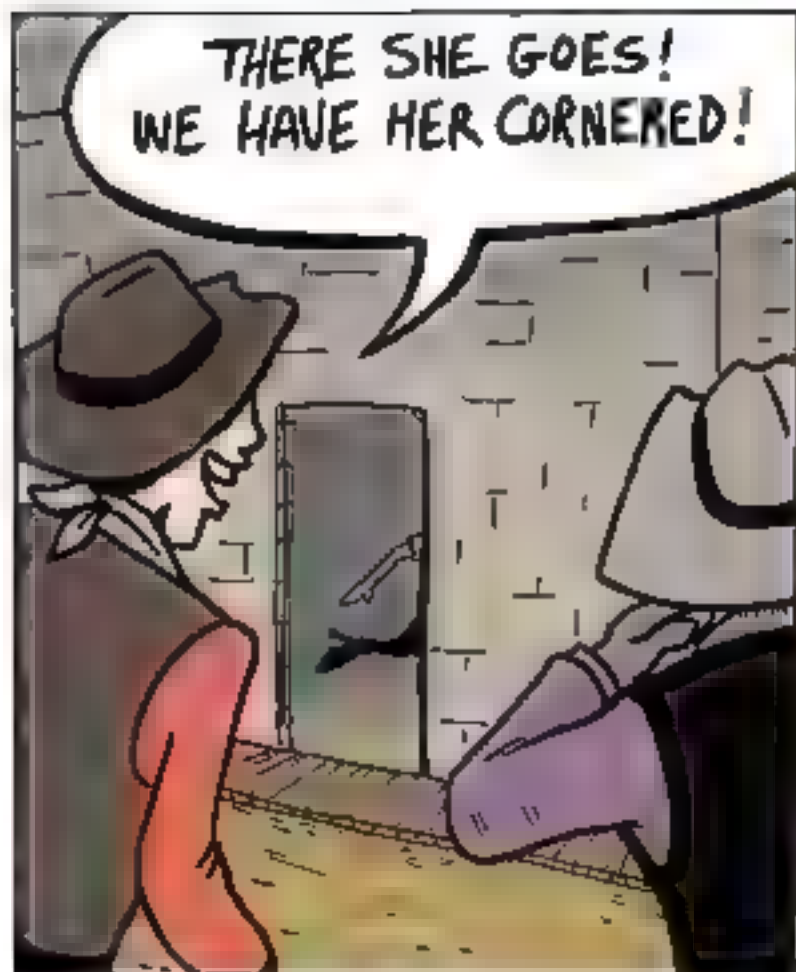


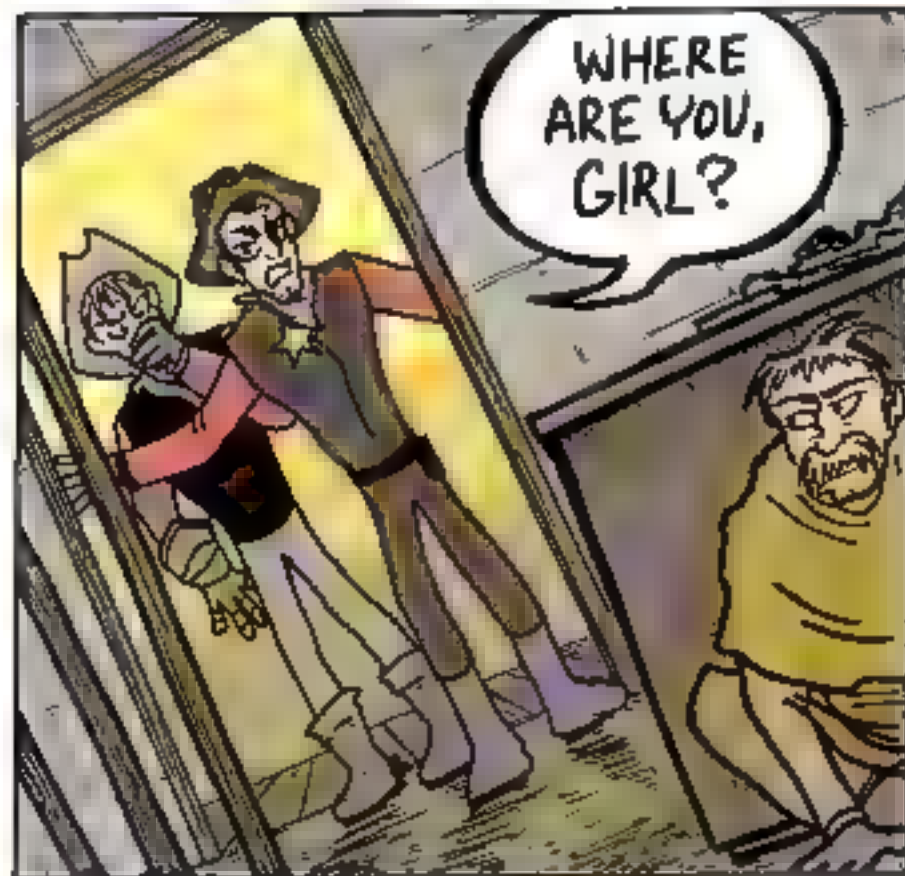




*WHETHER WE FIND HER OR NOT, I GOT THE GLOVE!

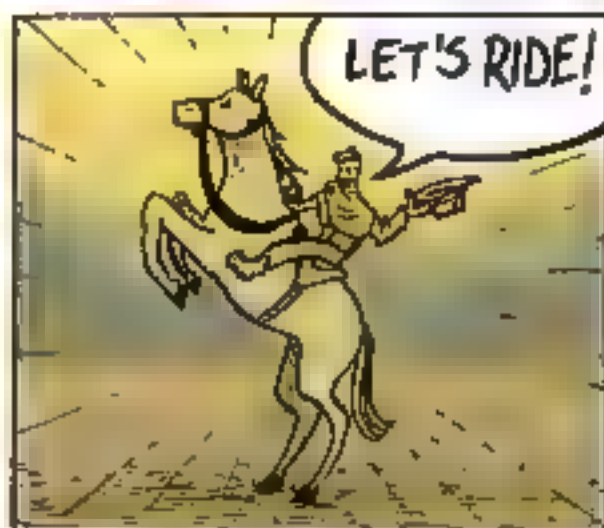


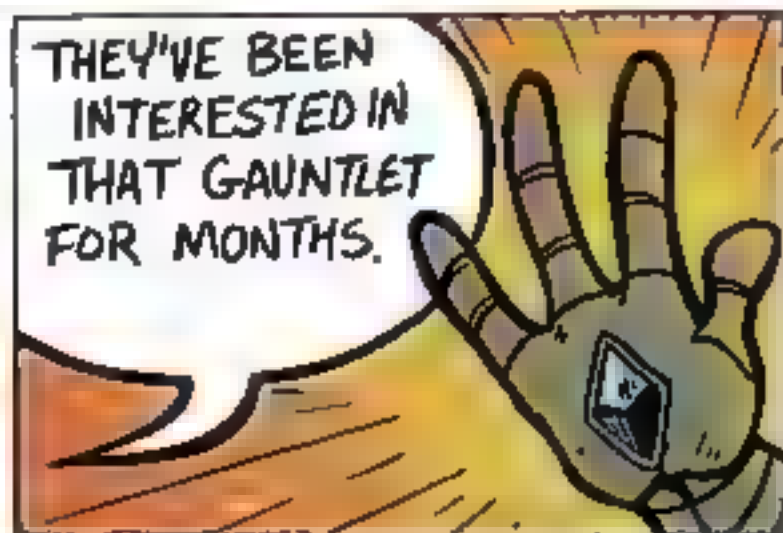














WHAT WOULD
THEY WANT WITH
A GAUNTLET?



IT'S SAID
TO HAVE THE
POWER TO REVEAL
SECRETS.



I'VE HEARD
THE SET IS ABLE
TO BREAK THROUGH
DIMENSIONS.

WHO KNOWS
IF THAT'S TRUE
OR NOT...



HOWEVER, IT IS
USELESS WITHOUT
ITS MATCH.



SO IT'S OKAY
IF THEY HAVE
ONE.

I'LL
GET IT
BACK

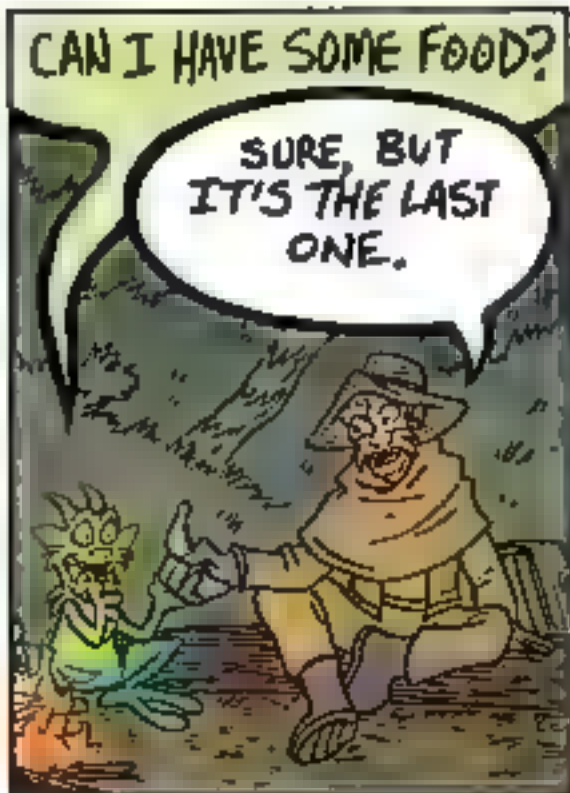


SO WHAT IF
THEY GET THEIR
HANDS ON THE
OTHER GAUNTLET?



CAN I HAVE SOME FOOD?

SURE, BUT
IT'S THE LAST
ONE.



WHY DO YOU KEEP KAMPING WITH YOUR
THEY'RE SICKENLY SWEET.

BUT THEY
ARE GOOD IN TEA.

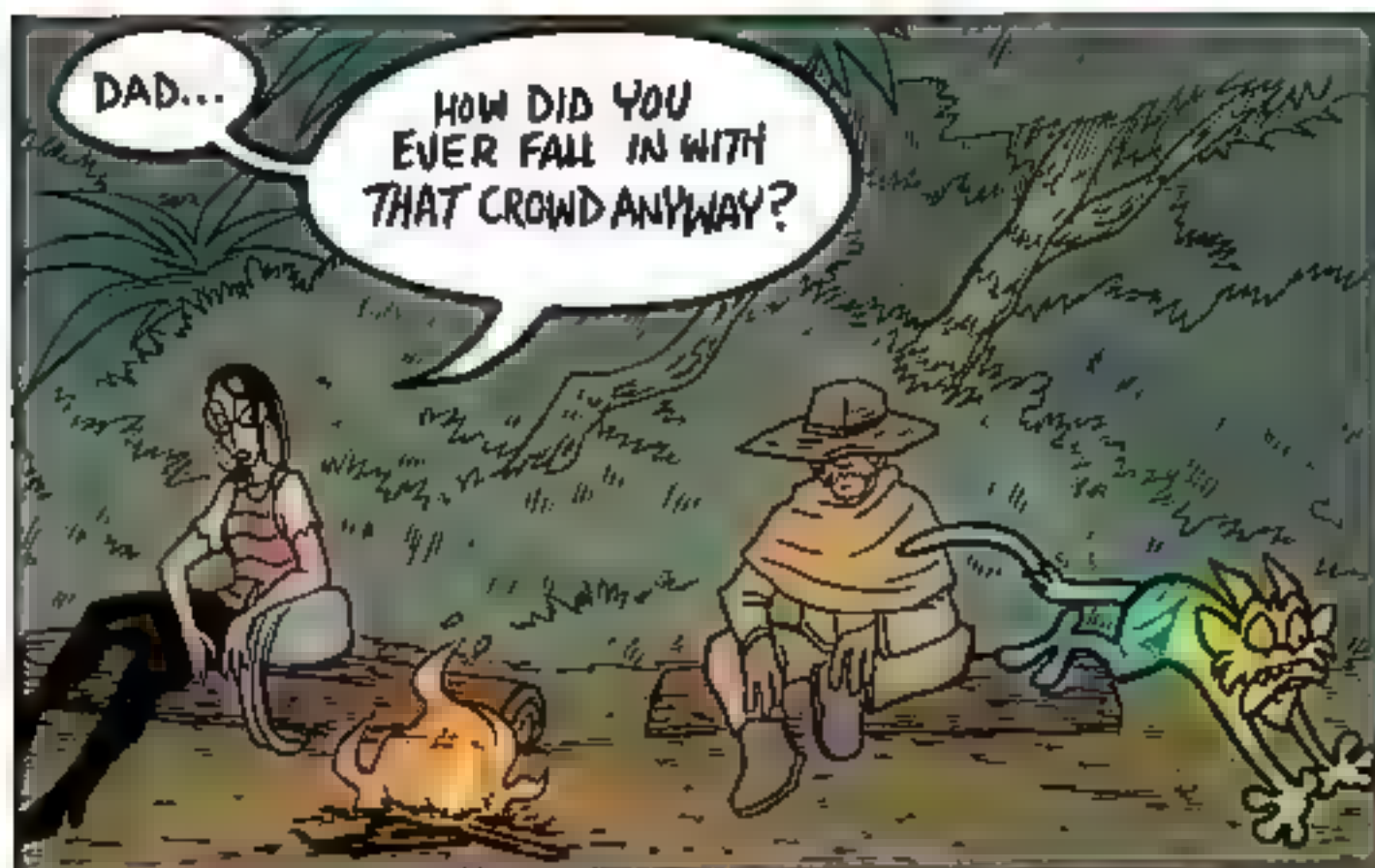


WHATEVER.



DAD...

HOW DID YOU
EVER FALL IN WITH
THAT CROWD ANYWAY?



THEY HIRED ME ONCE TO CATCH
A FROGOBLIM, OR TO AT LEAST
SHOW PROOF OF ONES EXISTENCE.



I COULDN'T GO
THROUGH WITH IT.



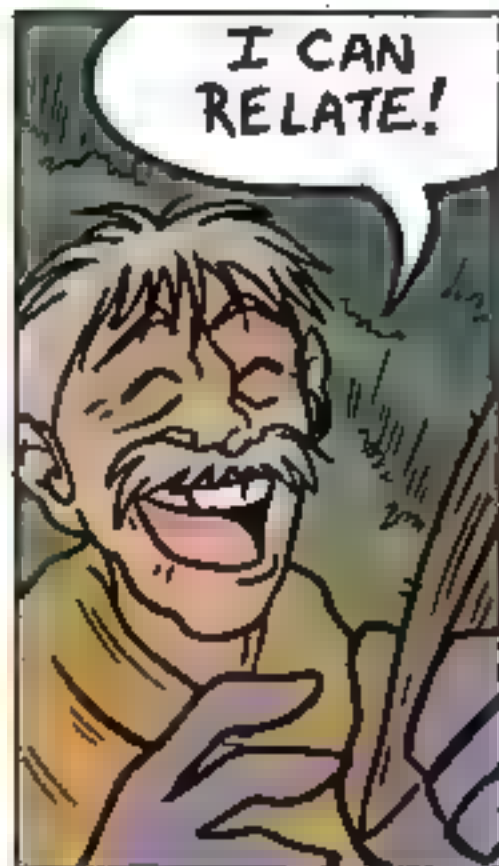
I REALIZED THEY
NEED TO BE FREE.
THEY COULD NEVER
DO WELL IN CAGES.



YOU CAN LOOK
AT MAGGOT AND
TELL SHE'S A FREE
SPIRIT.



I CAN
RELATE!



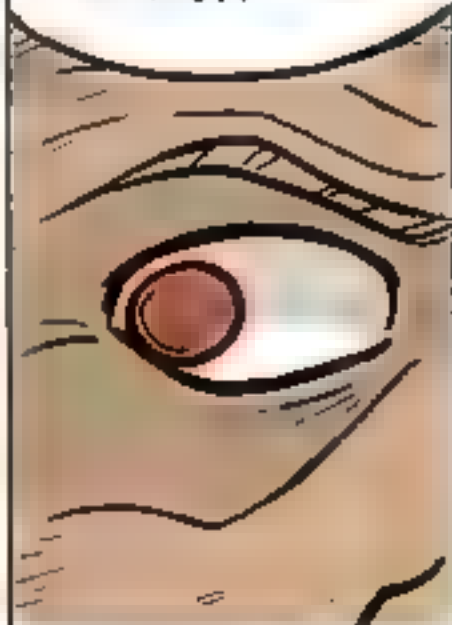


THAT'S ANOTHER
THING THAT BOTHERS ME.

HOW CAN YOU
SEE MAGGOT?

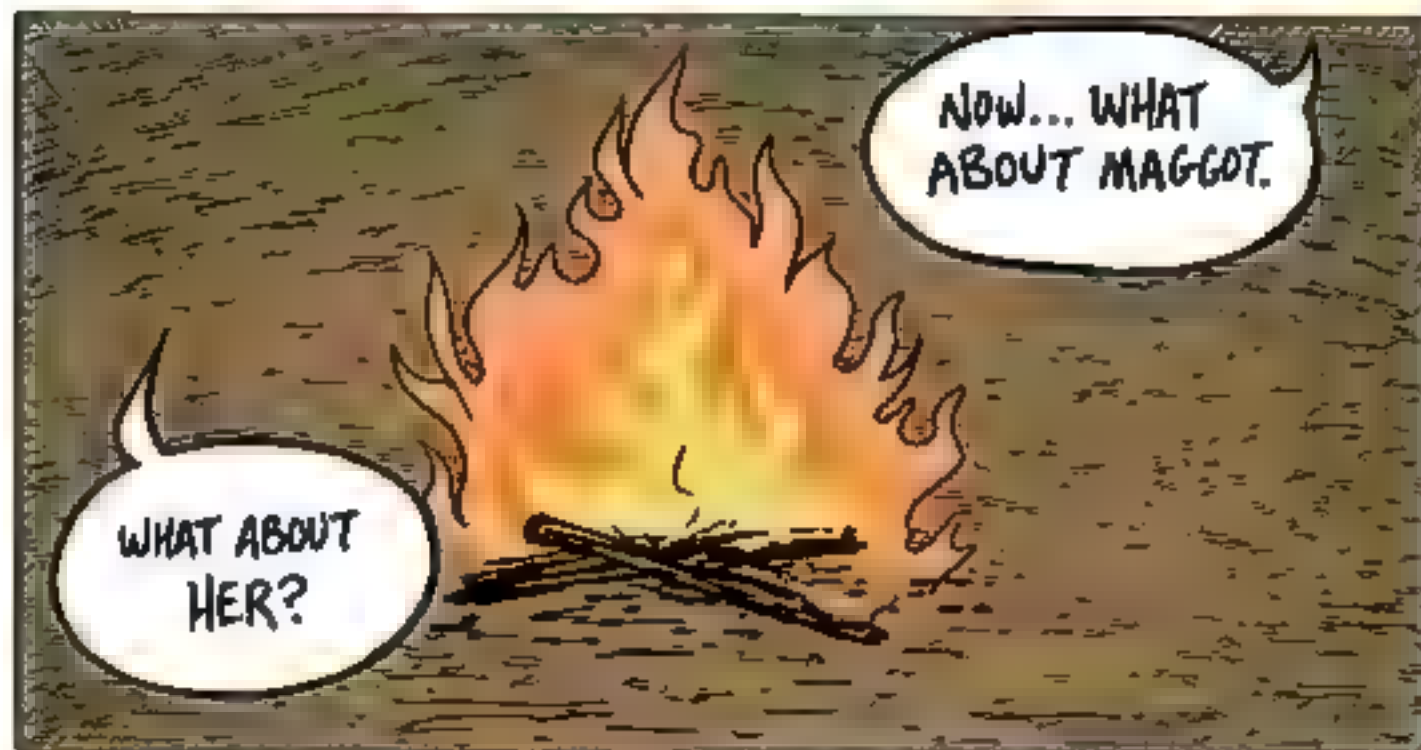
CONTACTS

THEY'VE BEEN COATED
WITH KAMPING JUICE,
WHICH FEELS LIKE...
SQUEEZING ALEMON
IN YOUR EYES.



UH. OW?

IT'S OKAY.
IT DOESN'T
BOTHER ME.



NOW... WHAT
ABOUT MAGGOT.

WHAT ABOUT
HER?

FROGOBLIMS ARE
ONLY NATIVE TO
KAMPING ISLAND.



HOW'D SHE
GET SO FAR
FROM THERE?



ACTUALLY, I'M
NOT SURE MYSELF.



MAGGOT... HOW DID
YOU GET SO FAR FROM
YOUR HOMELAND?



I CAME
HOME
WITH
JARED!



WHO'S
JARED?



HE'S MY BEST
BEST FRIEND!



I DIDN'T BELIEVE IT AT FIRST...
BUT I THINK MAGGOT FOLLOWED
HIM HOME FROM A VACATION.



HE SEEMS
LIKE A NICE
ENOUGH GUY.



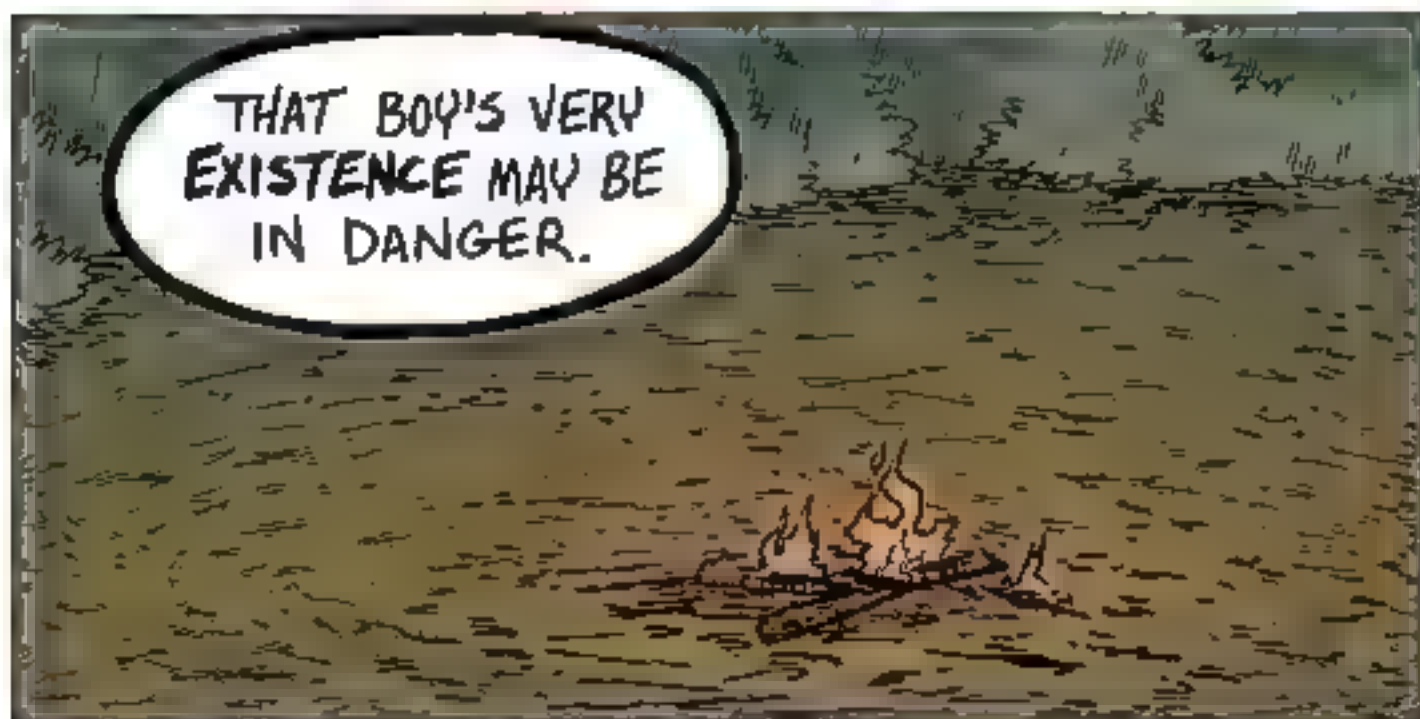
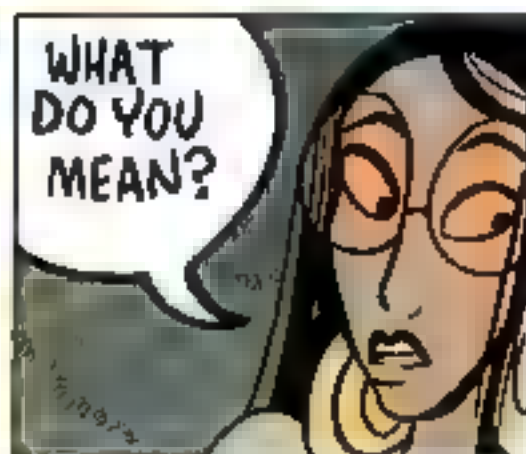
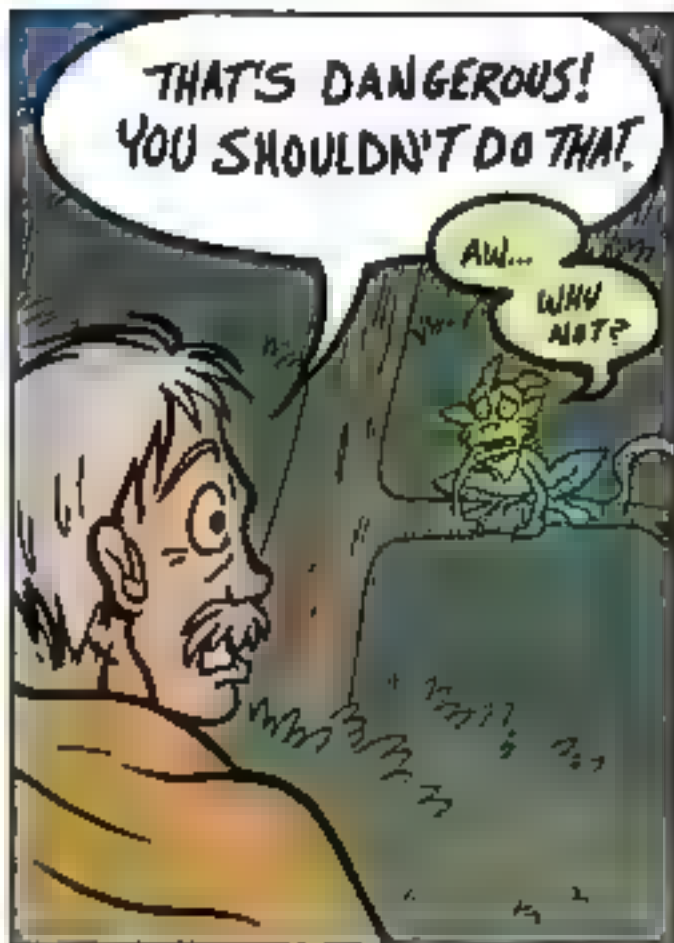
I'M THINKING
OF HIRING HIM
AT THE SHOP.
MAYBE.



BUT... HOW CAN
HE SEE HER?



I BIT
HIM!



WELL THAT DOESN'T
MAKE ANY SENSE.

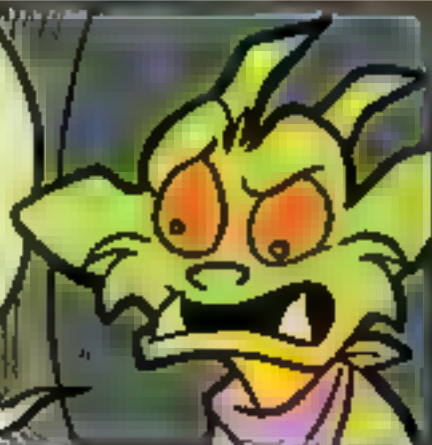


I'M JUST
TELLING YOU...

REALITIES
AREN'T MEANT
TO BE
INTERCHANGED.



HUH? I
DON'T SEE
WHAT THE
BIG DEAL
IS...



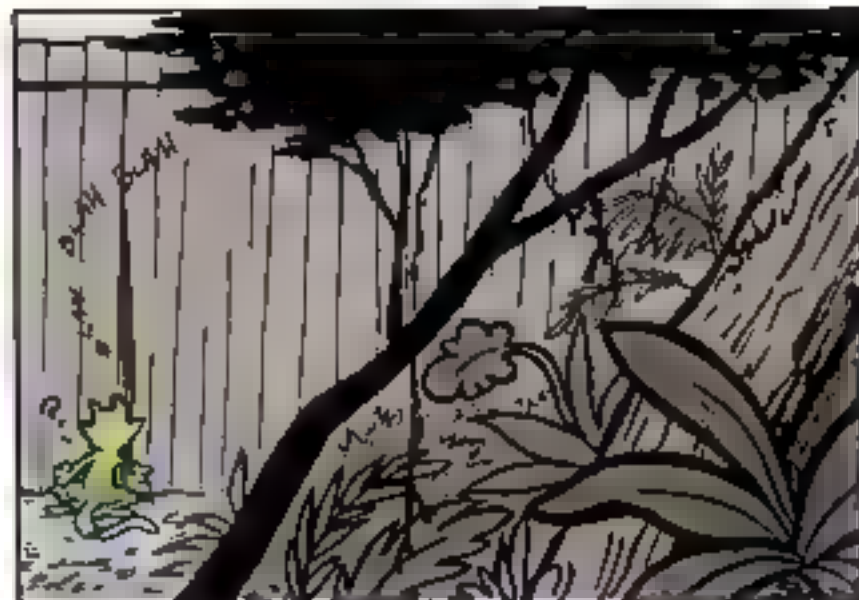
I JUST
WANTED
SOMEONE
TO PLAY
WITH.

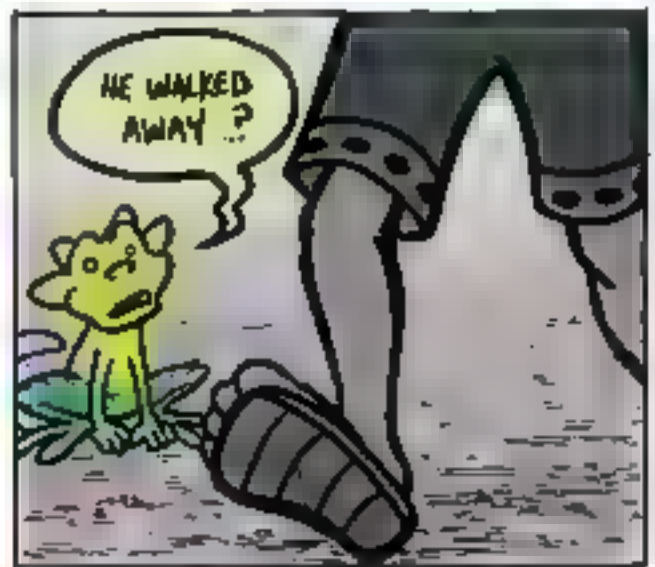
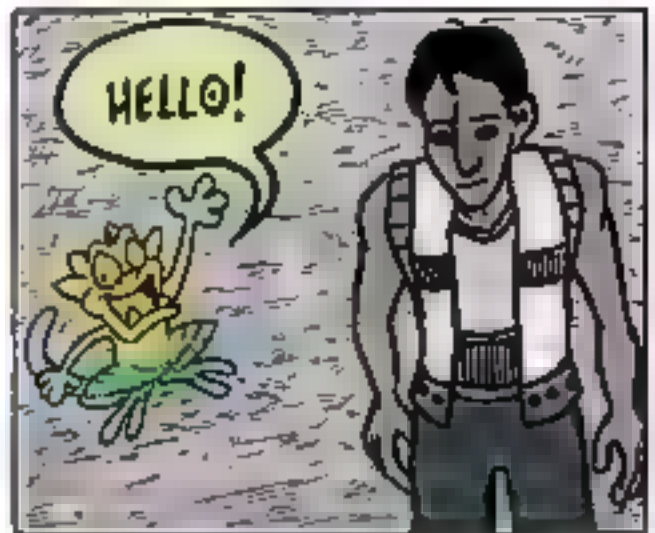
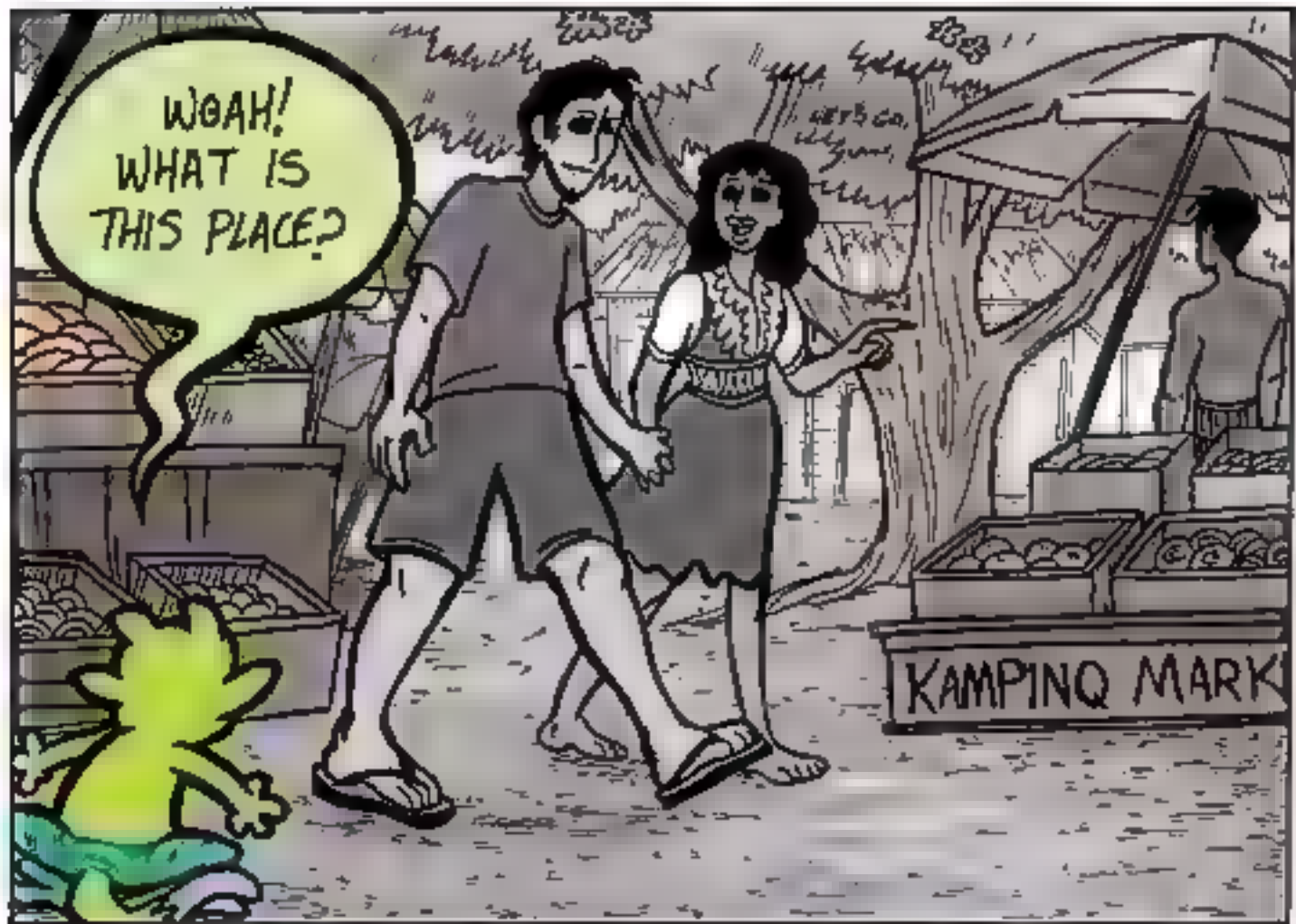


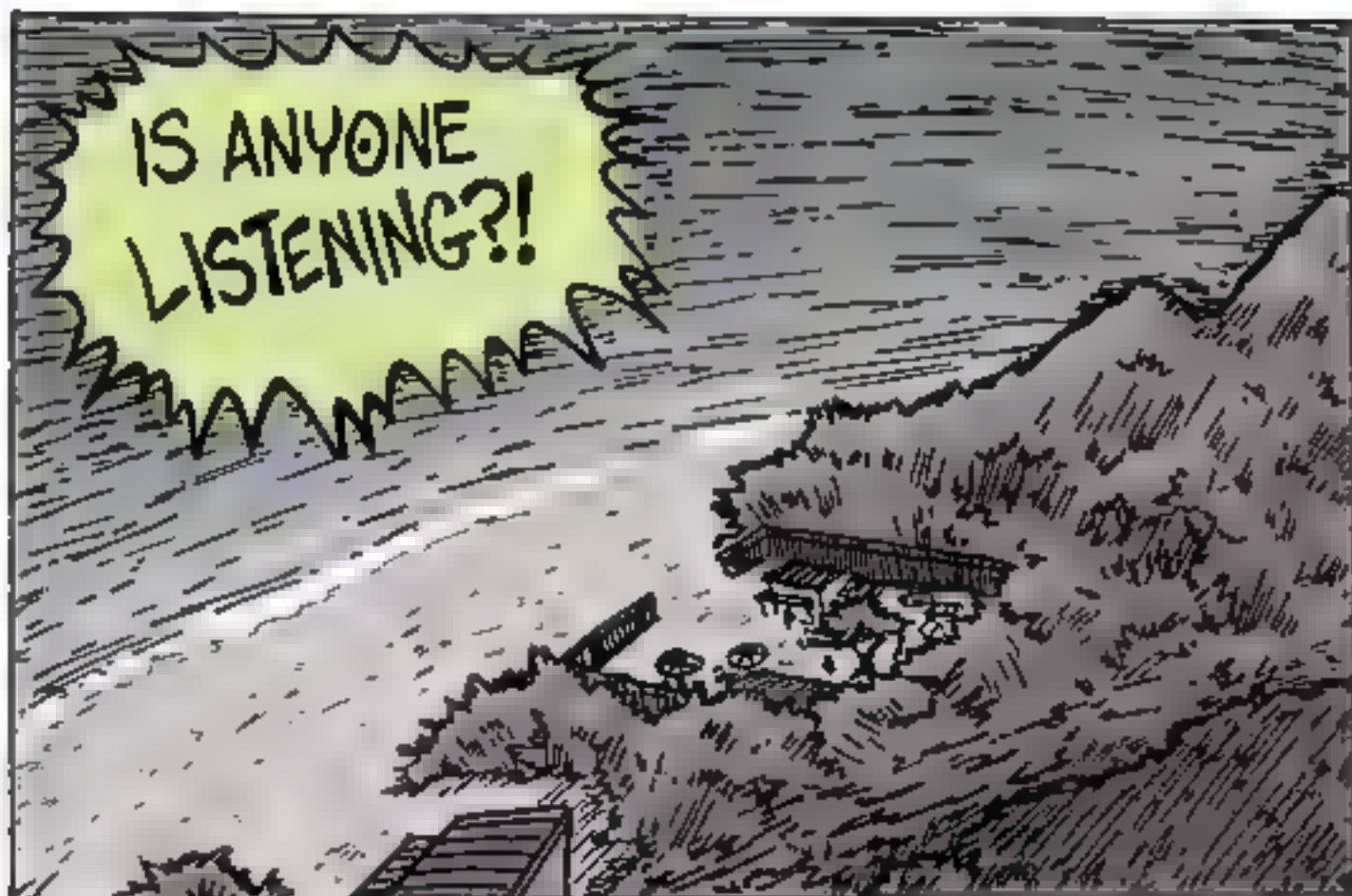
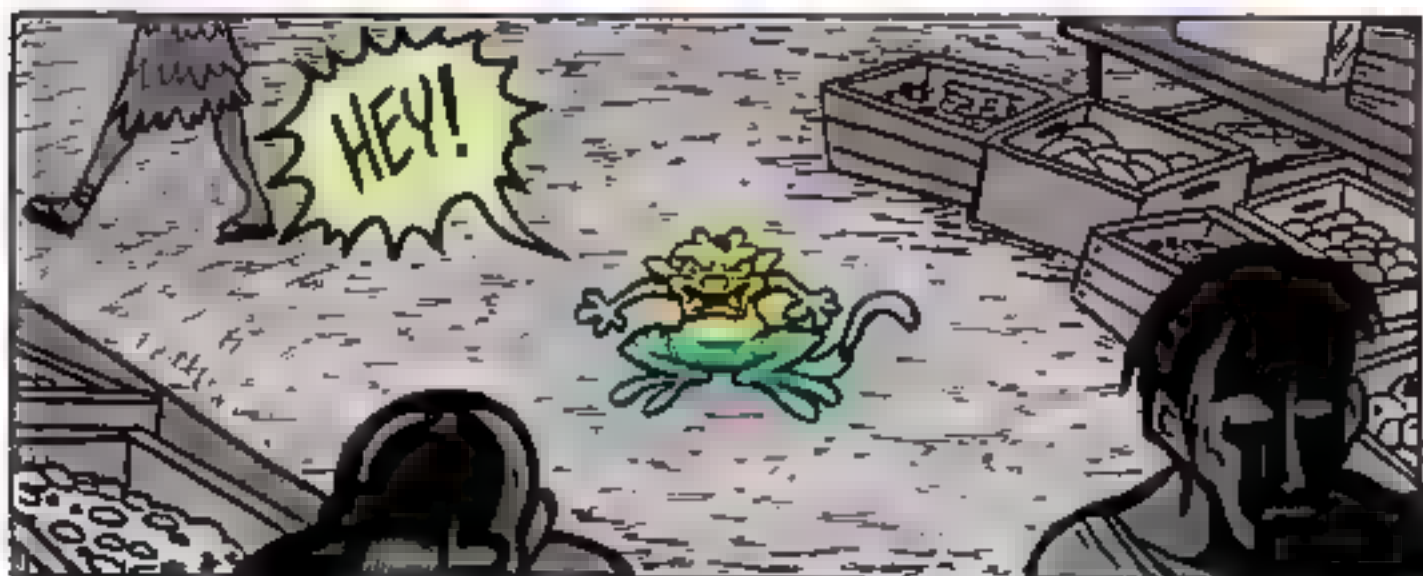
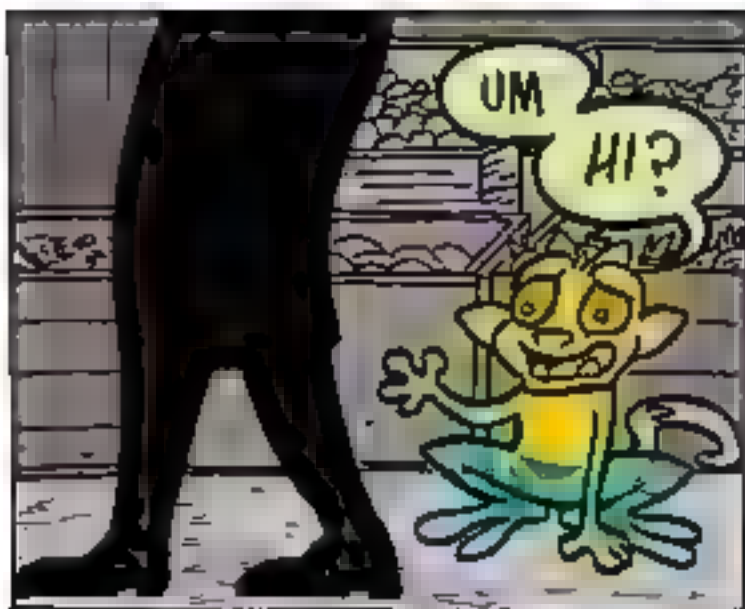
I WAS LONELY BEFORE
I MET JARED...

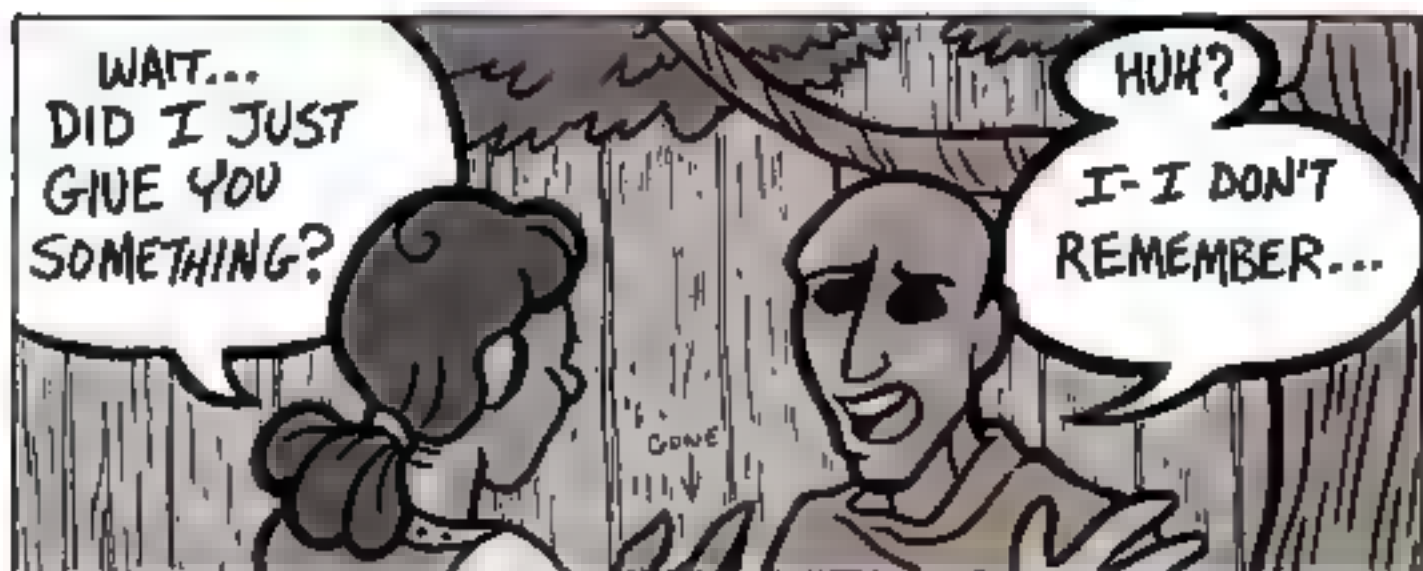
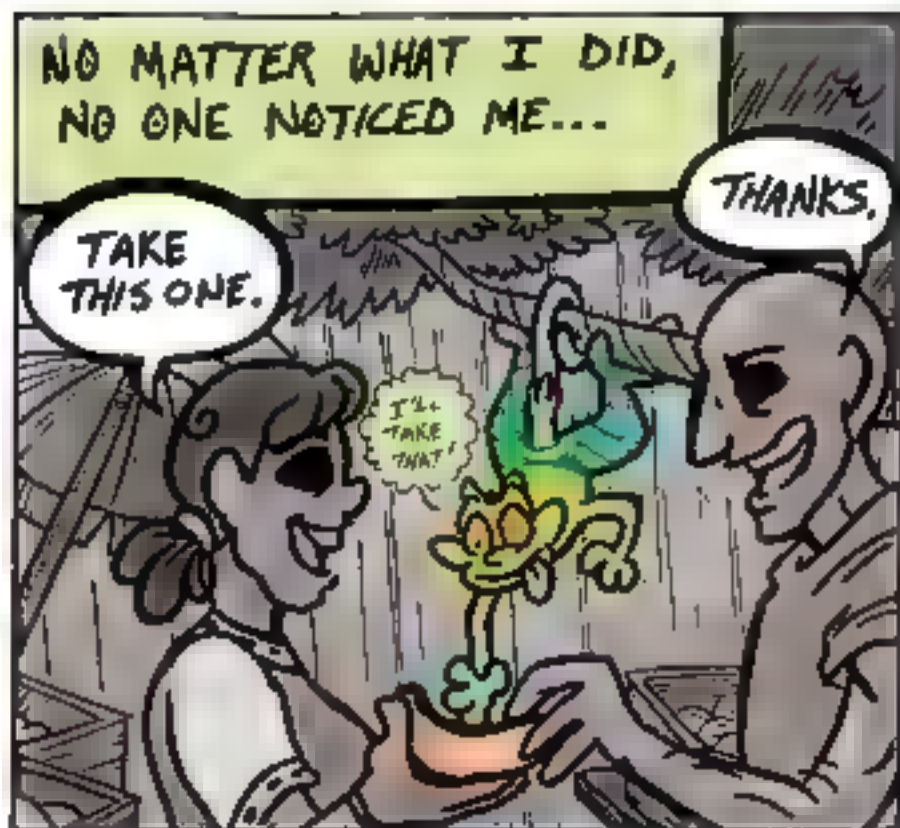


I HEARD SOME VOICES
ONE DAY SO I DECIDED
TO FOLLOW THEM.

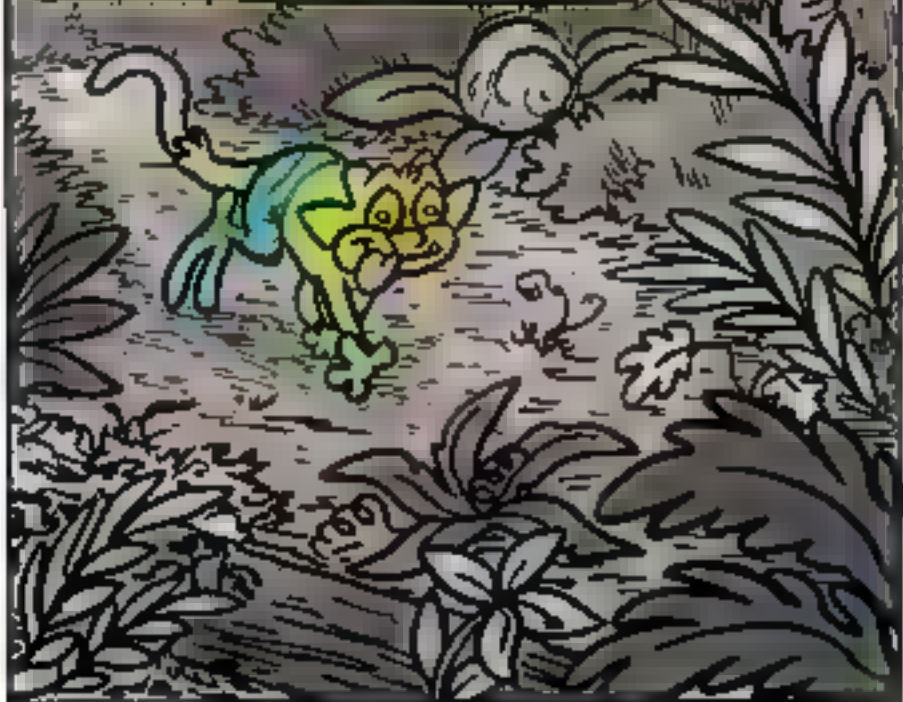








ONE DAY I WAS WALKING
THROUGH THE JUNGLE.



I SAW A BIG ROCK THAT
LOOKED LIKE MY MOMMY.



I LIKED IT THERE.



I STAYED THERE FOR
A LONG TIME.

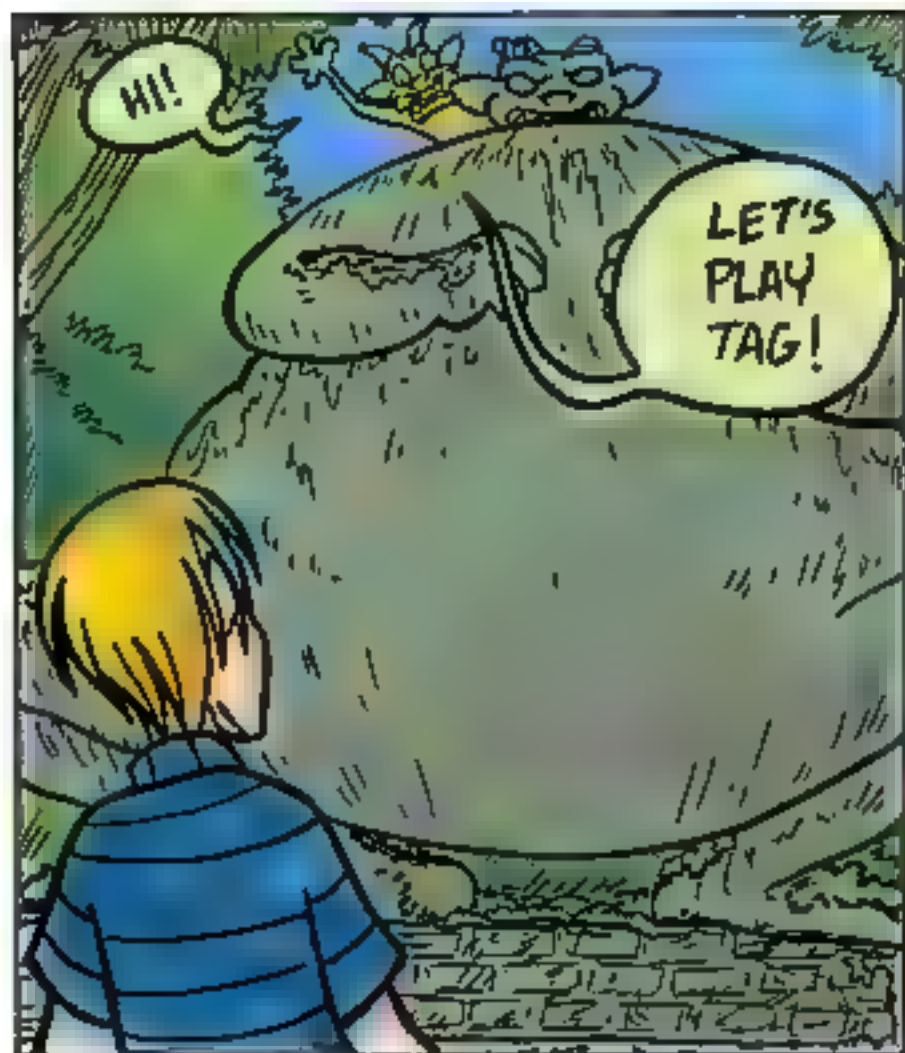


SOMETIMES PEOPLE WOULD WALK
BY BUT THEY DIDN'T NOTICE US...

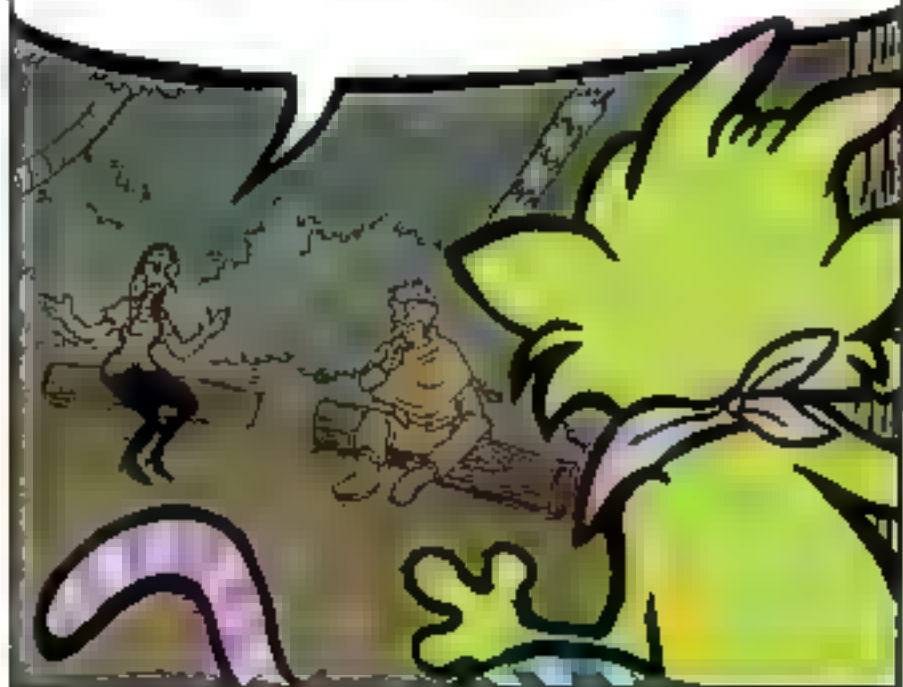


...UNTIL JARED CAME.





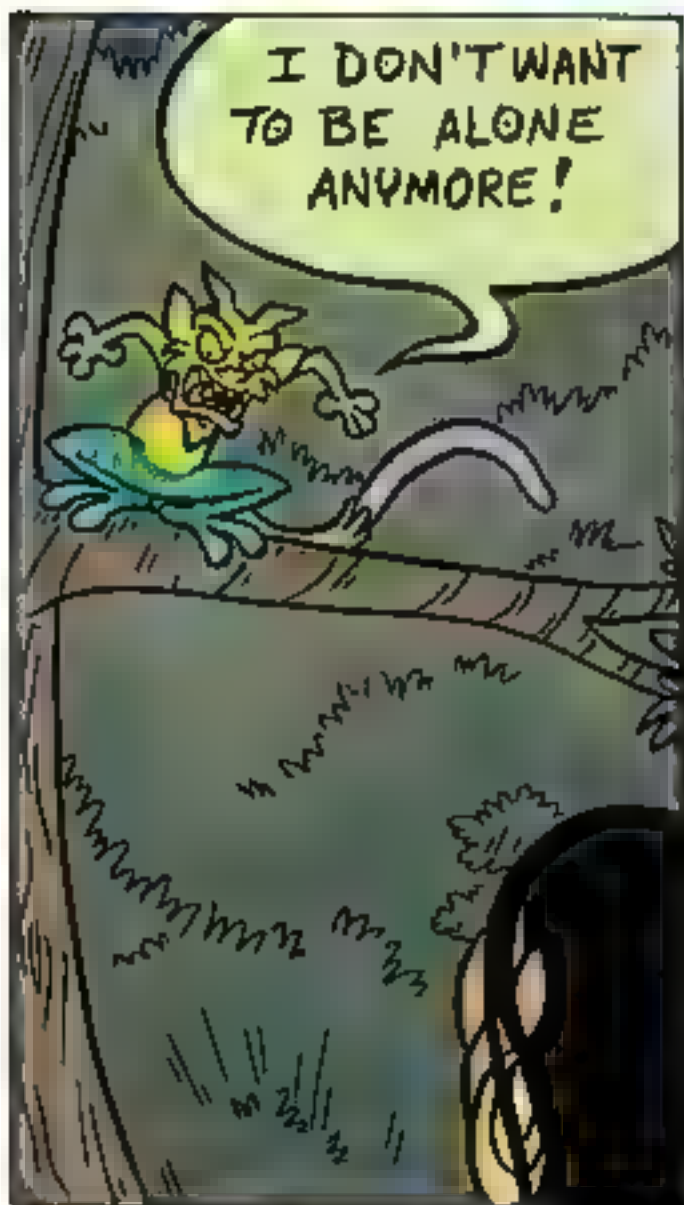
DON'T YOU THINK IT WOULD
BE BEST TO GO BACK TO
YOUR OWN ISLAND?



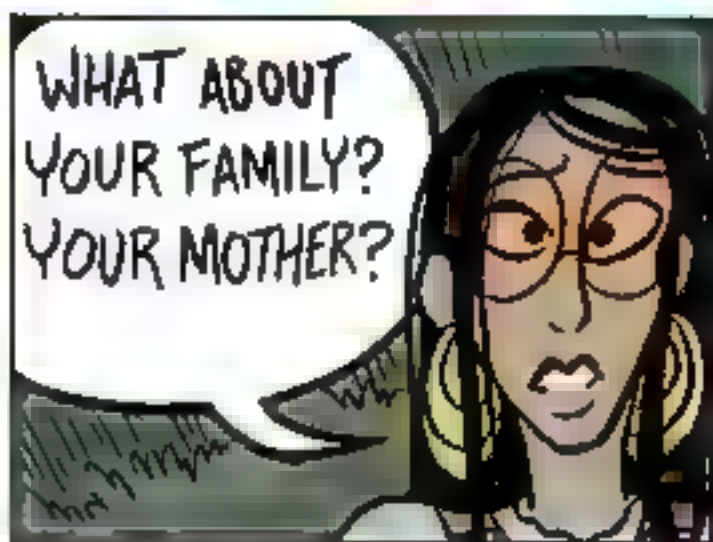
NO WAY!



I DON'T WANT
TO BE ALONE
ANYMORE!



WHAT ABOUT
YOUR FAMILY?
YOUR MOTHER?



I DUNNO.
I HAVEN'T
SEEN THEM
IN A
WHILE.



SHE MUST HAVE BEEN
SEPARATED FROM HER
CLAN...



FROGOBLIMS MUST LIVE IN SUCH A
SECLUDED PLACE, IT'S NEARLY
IMPOSSIBLE FOR EVEN A FROGOBLIM
TO FIND ITS WAY BACK THERE.



MAGGOT, THE BEST PLACE FOR YOU
TO BE IS WITH YOUR OWN KIND
ON YOUR HOME ISLAND.



BUT
YOU JUST
SAID...



IF SHE'S HAPPY, THERE'S
NOTHING WE CAN DO.





SO DON'T
WORRY ABOUT
IT.



AS FOR
NOW, LET'S
GET SOME
REST.



TAKE MY
PONCHO.

IT GETS COLD
HERE AT
NIGHT.



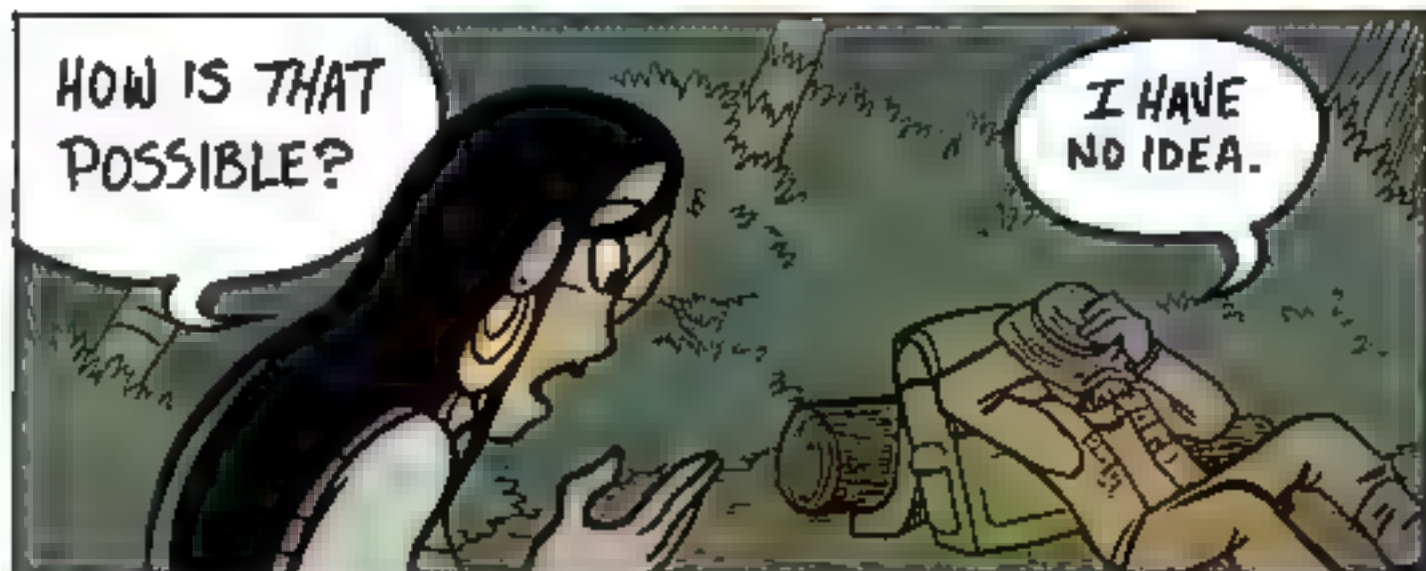
BUT
WHAT
ABOUT
YOU?

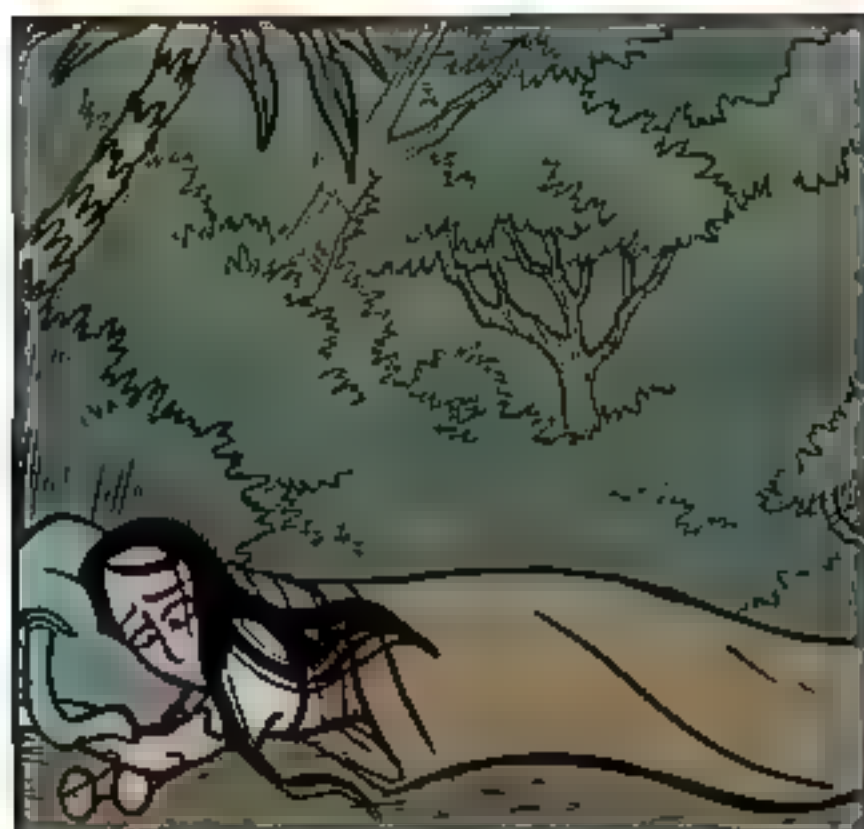
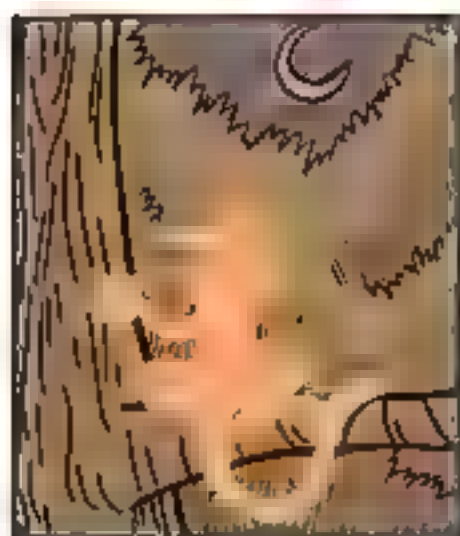
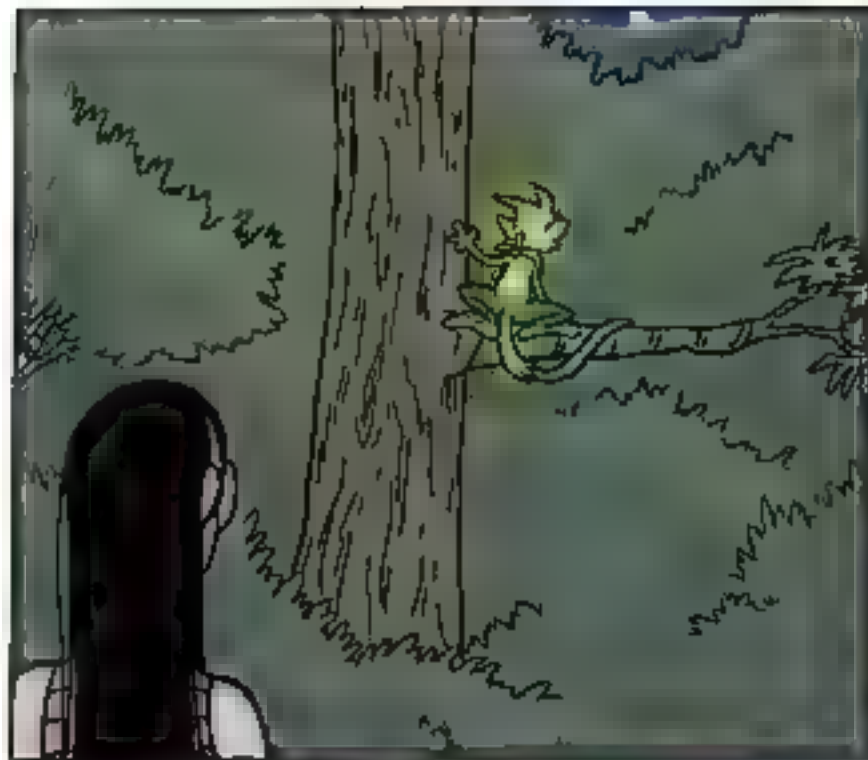
I'LL
BE
FINE.



MAGGOT, CAN YOU KEEP
WATCH FOR US?

OKAY!





HARPER.

GET UP.

LET'S GO.

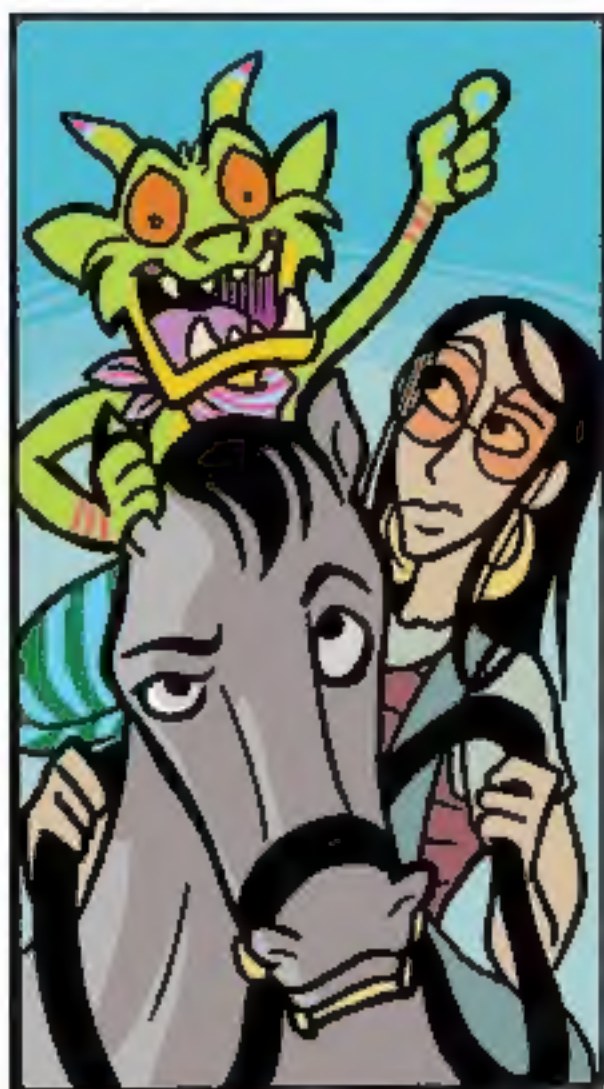
LET'S GET
GOING, MAGGOT.

WE HAVE A LOT OF TRAVELING TO
DO IF WE'RE GOING TO MAKE IT
TO THE NEAREST TOWN TODAY.

YAWN.?

YOU'LL BE ON A PLANE
HOME BY SUNDOWN.

LET'S
GO
THEN.



THERE'S AN AIRPORT NEARBY...



THIS IS AS FAR AS I'LL GO FOR NOW.



OKAY.

BUT WHY?!



I THINK IT WOULD BE RISKY FOR ME TO LEAVE WITH YOU.



WELL, SO LONG THEN.

WAIT! I ALMOST FORGOT SOMETHING!



HERE
YOU GO.

JEWELRY?

THEY'RE KAMPINQEAN GOOD
LUCK CHARMS. KEEP THEM WITH YOU!

?

THEY'LL KEEP
YOU SAFE.

SO DON'T
TAKE THEM
OFF.

OKAY...

THANKS,
DAD.

AS FOR ME, I'M OFF
TO FIND THE TREASURE
OF THE SUNSPOT
MOUNTAINS.

BYE BYE
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